THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 932 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY MURT, KORTZ, KAUFFMAN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, BOBACK, COX, HENNESSEY, BROWN, FREEMAN, RYAN, BURNS, HICKERNELL, READSHAW, LONGIETTI, KINSEY, MENTZER, SCHMITT, MILLARD, O'MARA, JAMES, DONATUCCI, MACKENZIE, B. MILLER, HOWARD AND GAINEY, JULY 8, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, JULY 8, 2020

A RESOLUTION

Commemorating the 76th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge. 1 2 WHEREAS, The Battle of the Bulge was the last major German 3 offensive campaign launched on December 16, 1944, through the densely forested Ardennes region of Wallonia in Belgium, France 4 and Luxembourg on the Western Front toward the end of World War 5 II; and 6 7 WHEREAS, The Germans planned the offensive with the primary goal of capturing the important harbor of Antwerp, Belgium; and 8 9 WHEREAS, The United States forces of approximately 610,000 troops bore the brunt of the attack and incurred the highest 10 11 casualties for any operation during the war; and 12 WHEREAS, Approximately 20,000 Americans were killed, 20,000 were captured and 40,000 were wounded during the Battle of the 13 14 Bulge; and

15 WHEREAS, The battle severely depleted Germany's armored

1 forces on the Western Front and its personnel and Luftwaffe 2 aircraft also sustained heavy losses; and 3 WHEREAS, The Battle of the Bulge ended on January 25, 1945, 4 with a victory for the Allied Forces; therefore be it 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commemorate the 6 76th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge.