## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 976 Session of 2015

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## A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of September 2016 as "Senior Center Month" 1 in Pennsylvania. 2 3 WHEREAS, The Older Americans Act recognizes senior centers as a vital resource connecting older adults with the system of 4 5 home-based and community-based services they need to live safe, 6 healthy and independent lives; and 7 WHEREAS, Older adults may enjoy many benefits from their 8 participation in the social and recreational activities and enrichment programs offered locally at senior centers; and 9 10 WHEREAS, Meals, transportation, access to a job or volunteer 11 opportunity and financial counseling may be coordinated through 12 senior centers; and WHEREAS, Senior center participants, including older 13 residents of this Commonwealth, professionally trained staff 14

15 members and volunteers, commit their energies to providing a

1 safe and productive environment at senior centers; and 2 WHEREAS, The Department of Aging has designated certain senior centers in this Commonwealth as recipients of 3 Pennsylvania State Lottery grants for modernizing facilities, 4 instituting technology improvements, enhancing programming, 5 attracting new members and further addressing the needs of older 6 adults; therefore be it 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the 8 9 month of September 2016 as "Senior Center Month" in

10 Pennsylvania.