
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 260 Session of
2023

INTRODUCED BY D. MILLER, SHUSTERMAN, SIEGEL, HOWARD, MADDEN,
McNEILL, GALLAGHER, DONAHUE, KINSEY, HILL-EVANS, GREEN,
BOROWSKI, D. WILLIAMS, KHAN, SANCHEZ, HADDOCK, FREEMAN,
PARKER, MENTZER, CURRY, CERRATO AND DALEY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating January 21, 2024, as "AmeriCorps Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, From September 2023 to September 2024, AmeriCorps is
4 celebrating its 30th anniversary of public service to our
5 nation; and

6 WHEREAS, Every year, more than 200,000 people enroll to serve
7 our nation by volunteering with AmeriCorps, an organization
8 created through the bipartisan National and Community Service
9 Trust Act of 1993, championed by former President Bill Clinton
10 and former Senator Bob Dole; and

11 WHEREAS, Harris Wofford, a former Senator from Pennsylvania,
12 served as CEO of the Corporation for National and Community
13 Service from 1995 to 2001, and in that capacity oversaw
14 AmeriCorps and contributed to its development and growth; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Wofford continued to advocate for national
16 service and volunteering until his death on January 21, 2019;
17 and

1 WHEREAS, Volunteers work in communities across our nation and
2 Commonwealth, focusing on six areas of impact:

- 3 (1) Disaster services.
- 4 (2) Economic development.
- 5 (3) Environmental stewardship.
- 6 (4) Education.
- 7 (5) Healthy futures.
- 8 (6) Veterans and military families;

9 and

10 WHEREAS, Last year in this Commonwealth alone, AmeriCorps
11 volunteers served in more than 1,200 locations, including food
12 banks, homeless shelters, health clinics and schools; and

13 WHEREAS, AmeriCorps has had a significant impact on the lives
14 of many residents of this Commonwealth, communities throughout
15 our State and in every corner of our country; and

16 WHEREAS, In celebrating AmeriCorps' three decades of service,
17 we are shown that all of us can be great because all of us can
18 serve; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate January
20 21, 2024, as "AmeriCorps Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor Harris
22 Wofford's lifetime commitment to public service, which included
23 overseeing AmeriCorps and contributing to its development and
24 growth; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extend its
26 appreciation to all those who have volunteered to serve our
27 Commonwealth and our country.