THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, RECREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, FEBRUARY 3, 2025

A RESOLUTION

- Designating March 25, 2025, as "Greek Independence Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The ancient Greeks developed democracy, in which the
- 4 power to govern was vested in the people; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Founding Fathers of the United States drew upon
- 6 the experience and philosophy of ancient Greece in forming its
- 7 representative democracy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Many Americans fought alongside the Greeks in their
- 9 fight for independence; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Greece was allied with the United States in every
- 11 major international conflict in the 20th century; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Sir Winston Churchill said of the Greeks, "Hence, we
- 13 will not say that Greeks fight like heroes, but that heroes
- 14 fight like Greeks"; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Greece and the United States serve as the forefront
- 16 of the worldwide effort to promote freedom, democracy, peace,

- 1 stability and human rights, ideals which have forged a close
- 2 bond between our nations; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Approximately 3 million proud Greek Americans have
- 4 established an enduring bridge between the United States and
- 5 Greece, remaining connected to their heritage and passing their
- 6 traditions on to new generations; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Greek Americans in this Commonwealth have played a
- 8 significant role in the economic, cultural and social
- 9 development of this Commonwealth; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March
- 11 25, 2025, as "Greek Independence Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it
- 12 further
- 13 RESOLVED, That all residents of this Commonwealth recognize
- 14 the struggles of the Greek people for freedom in their homeland
- 15 and reflect upon the importance of self-determination for all
- 16 the people of the world.