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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JUNE 23, 2020

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of September 20 through 26, 2020, as  
2 "Surgical Technologists Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Surgical technologists play a vital role in the care  
4 and health of surgical patients in this Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, Surgical technologists, also called scrubs, play an  
6 integral role in the surgical team, serving in many capacities  
7 alongside of surgeons, nurses, anesthesia providers and other  
8 health care personnel; and

9 WHEREAS, All major hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers  
10 in this Commonwealth employ surgical technologists to work with  
11 surgeons in the operating room to provide quality patient care;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, As a large percentage of the general population  
14 approaches retirement age and as technological advances such as  
15 fiber optics and laser technology permit new surgical  
16 procedures, employment of surgical technologists who are  
17 educated in these technologies is expected to grow faster than

1 average for all occupations; and

2 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, 17 programs in surgical  
3 technology graduate quality students; and

4 WHEREAS, Each year, the Association of Surgical Technologists  
5 designates a week in September as "National Surgical  
6 Technologists Week" to celebrate and promote the profession; and

7 WHEREAS, It is fitting that these medical professionals  
8 receive recognition for their contributions to the care and  
9 health of the residents of this Commonwealth; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
11 week of September 20 through 26, 2020, as "Surgical  
12 Technologists Week" in Pennsylvania.