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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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FARNESE, SCAVELLO, DINNIMAN, RESCHENTHALER, HUGHES,  
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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating June 3, 2017, as "Alex's Lemonade Stand Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania and encouraging all residents to contribute to  
3 the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation and other pediatric  
4 cancer research programs.

5 WHEREAS, Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in  
6 children under 20 years of age; and

7 WHEREAS, Approximately 15,780 children are diagnosed with  
8 cancer in the United States each year; and

9 WHEREAS, Due to advances in research, 80% of children with  
10 cancer now survive five years or more; and

11 WHEREAS, Alexandra Scott was an extraordinary person who was  
12 diagnosed with neuroblastoma, an aggressive childhood cancer,  
13 two days before her first birthday; and

14 WHEREAS, In July 2000, at four years of age, Alex opened her  
15 first lemonade stand to raise money for pediatric cancer  
16 research; and

17 WHEREAS, On August 1, 2004, Alex passed away at eight years  
18 of age; and

1       WHEREAS, Since Alex's first lemonade stand in 2000, there  
2 have been more than 4,000 Alex's Lemonade Stands and events held  
3 in all 50 states; and

4       WHEREAS, The Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation was created to  
5 accept and manage donations from all over the world; and

6       WHEREAS, The Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation has raised  
7 nearly \$127 million for pediatric cancer research, far  
8 surpassing the \$1 million monetary goal established by Alex  
9 before she passed away; and

10       WHEREAS, Alex's efforts have garnered national and  
11 international attention and have inspired hundreds of  
12 individuals to donate to pediatric cancer research; and

13       WHEREAS, The Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation continues to  
14 raise awareness and financial support for research in childhood  
15 cancers; and

16       WHEREAS, During the week of June 3 through 11, 2017,  
17 volunteers across the country are hosting an Alex's Lemonade  
18 Stand to support Alex's cause in the fight to find a cure for  
19 childhood cancers; therefore be it

20       RESOLVED, That the Senate designate June 3, 2017, as "Alex's  
21 Lemonade Stand Day" in Pennsylvania and encourage all residents  
22 to contribute to the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation and other  
23 pediatric cancer research programs.