THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY AUMENT, SMUCKER, BREWSTER, SABATINA, HAYWOOD, DINNIMAN, ARGALL, GREENLEAF, TEPLITZ, YAW, RAFFERTY, WARD, BROWNE, COSTA, BARTOLOTTA, FARNESE, FONTANA, MENSCH, SCHWANK, VULAKOVICH AND YUDICHAK, APRIL 13, 2016

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A RESOLUTION

- Expressing the support of the Senate of Pennsylvania for the Make-A-Wish Foundation and encouraging this organization in
- its efforts to grant the wishes of children with life-
- 4 threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience
- 5 with hope, strength and joy.
- 6 WHEREAS, The Make-A-Wish Foundation is a nonprofit entity
- 7 that was created to grant the wishes of children with life-
- 8 threatening medical conditions; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Make-A-Wish Foundation was founded in 1980 after
- 10 a young boy named Chris Greicius, who was suffering from
- 11 leukemia, was granted his heartfelt wish to be a police officer;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, Since 1980 the Make-A-Wish Foundation has enriched
- 14 the lives of more than 254,000 children with life-threatening
- 15 medical conditions; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The Make-A-Wish Foundation's mission reflects the
- 17 life-changing impact that a Make-A-Wish experience has on
- 18 children, families, referral sources, donors, sponsors and

- 1 entire communities; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The Make-A-Wish Foundation's objective is to create
- 3 a memorable wish experience for both the child and family that
- 4 is not clouded by financial concerns; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In 2014, Make-A-Wish granted 14,200 wishes alone on
- 6 average, one wish every 37 minutes.
- 7 WHEREAS, A network of more than 27,000 volunteers enables the
- 8 Make-A-Wish Foundation to serve children with life-threatening
- 9 medical conditions; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Volunteers for the Make-A-Wish Foundation serve as
- 11 wish granters, fundraisers, special events assistants and in
- 12 numerous other capacities; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Each year fundraising events are held in order to
- 14 make the wishes of children with life-threatening medical
- 15 conditions come true; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Raising funds is critical to fulfilling the mission
- 17 of granting the wishes of children with life-threatening medical
- 18 conditions; therefore be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the Senate express its support for the Make-A-
- 20 Wish Foundation's efforts to enrich the lives of children with
- 21 life-threatening medical conditions; and be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage all of the Commonwealth's
- 23 citizens to join in efforts by the Make-A-Wish Foundation to
- 24 assist in making the wishes of children with life-threatening
- 25 medical conditions come true; and be it further
- 26 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 27 the Make-A-Wish Foundation.