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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 41 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY RAFFERTY, EICHELBERGER, SABATINA, YAW, GREENLEAF,  
DINNIMAN, FONTANA, BAROLOTTA, ARGALL, FARNESE,  
RESCHENTHALER, KILLION, TARTAGLIONE, WARD, COSTA, FOLMER,  
BROWNE, AUMENT, VOGEL, BREWSTER, SCAVELLO, VULAKOVICH,  
HUGHES, YUDICHAK, MENSCH AND SCHWANK, MARCH 20, 2017

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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, MARCH 20, 2017

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 20, 2017, as a day of remembrance for all  
2 highway workers employed by the Pennsylvania Department of  
3 Transportation and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission who  
4 have sacrificed their lives in service to the Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, On March 20, 2016, two Pennsylvania Turnpike  
6 employees were murdered at the Fort Littleton Interchange in an  
7 apparent robbery of the Pennsylvania Turnpike; and

8 WHEREAS, Since 1940, more than 30 Pennsylvania Turnpike  
9 employees lost their lives while performing their duties along  
10 the nation's first super highway; and

11 WHEREAS, Since 1970, 86 Pennsylvania Department of  
12 Transportation employees have died in the line of duty; and

13 WHEREAS, The duties and responsibilities of highway workers  
14 in construction work zones, maintenance work zones, inspection  
15 work zones and toll plazas are critical to providing a safe,  
16 reliable and interconnected transportation system in  
17 Pennsylvania; and

1       WHEREAS, According to the Federal Highway Administration, the  
2 leading cause of highway construction worker injuries and  
3 fatalities is contact with construction vehicles, objects and  
4 equipment and these injuries and deaths are preventable through  
5 a number of good practices; therefore be it

6       RESOLVED, That the Senate designate March 20, 2017, as a day  
7 of remembrance for all highway workers employed by the  
8 Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and the Pennsylvania  
9 Turnpike Commission who have sacrificed their lives in service  
10 to the Commonwealth; and be it further

11       RESOLVED, That the Senate urge all drivers in this  
12 Commonwealth to consider the lives of highway workers and pay  
13 tribute to all Pennsylvania highway workers who have sacrificed  
14 their lives in service to the Commonwealth.