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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 98 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY SAVAL, STREET, FONTANA, KEARNEY, HUGHES, HAYWOOD,  
MILLER, CAPPELLETTI, BOSCOLA, COMMITTA, COLLETT, SANTARSIERO,  
SCHWANK, COSTA AND BREWSTER, APRIL 21, 2023

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 21, 2023

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2023 as "Arab American Heritage  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The General Assembly acknowledges the significant  
4 contributions of Arab Americans to the cultural, economic,  
5 social and political fabric of this Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, Arab Americans have a rich history in Pennsylvania,  
7 dating back to the 19th century when Arab immigrants first  
8 settled in this Commonwealth and have since made invaluable  
9 contributions to the growth and diversity of our communities;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Arab Americans have excelled in various fields,  
12 including business, medicine, law, education, arts and  
13 philanthropy, and have played a vital role in advancing the  
14 economic and cultural prosperity of this Commonwealth; and

15 WHEREAS, Arab Americans have actively engaged in civic and  
16 political life, advocating for social justice, civil rights and  
17 human rights and have made significant contributions to the

1 advancement of democracy and the well-being of all  
2 Pennsylvanians; and

3 WHEREAS, The month of April has been designated as "Arab  
4 American Heritage Month" in recognition of the contributions,  
5 achievements and cultural heritage of Arab Americans across the  
6 United States; and

7 WHEREAS, Recognizing and celebrating "Arab American Heritage  
8 Month" in Pennsylvania promotes understanding, respect and  
9 appreciation for the rich diversity of this Commonwealth and  
10 fosters mutual understanding and friendship among all  
11 communities; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of April 2023  
13 as "Arab American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania; and be it  
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage all Pennsylvanians to  
16 celebrate the contributions and achievements of Arab Americans  
17 and to promote cultural understanding and appreciation within  
18 our communities; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
20 the Governor, the Department of Education and other appropriate  
21 State agencies and organizations, as a testament to the  
22 importance of recognizing and celebrating the heritage and  
23 contributions of Arab Americans in Pennsylvania.