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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY HAYWOOD, STREET, TARTAGLIONE, SABATINA, DINNIMAN,  
KILLION, FARNESE, COSTA AND HUGHES, JUNE 21, 2017

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of June 2017 as "Gun Violence Awareness  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania in recognition of this public safety  
3 and public health issue and in commemoration of the lives  
4 lost to gun violence in this Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, Gun violence is a national, state and local problem  
6 affecting Americans in cities, suburbs and rural communities;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, An average of 88 Americans are killed with firearms  
9 every day, and 8 of those killed each day are children; and

10 WHEREAS, The number of firearm-related deaths per year in  
11 this Commonwealth exceeds the number of motor vehicle-related  
12 deaths per year in this Commonwealth; and

13 WHEREAS, The National Center for Health Statistics reported  
14 that the firearm-related death rate in this Commonwealth is  
15 higher than the national rate; and

16 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, an individual is killed with a  
17 firearm every six hours; and

18 WHEREAS, "Gun Violence Awareness Month" is a nationwide and  
19 Statewide occasion to recognize the impact of gun violence;

1 therefore be it

2       RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of June 2017 as  
3 "Gun Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania in recognition of  
4 this public safety and public health issue and in commemoration  
5 of the lives lost to gun violence in this Commonwealth.