
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1166 Session of
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OCTOBER 16, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 16, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 27 through November 11, 2018, as "Military
2 Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania in coordination with The
3 Pennsylvania State University.

4 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University (Penn State) has a
5 long history of support for our military and acknowledges the
6 many contributions of those who have bravely served our country;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Penn State has a longstanding and proud tradition of
9 serving the men and women of our military and giving back
10 through education, benefits and resources; and

11 WHEREAS, Penn State's annual Military Appreciation
12 celebration is an opportunity for the Penn State community to
13 join together to honor and publicly commend those who have
14 served; and

15 WHEREAS, It is our responsibility to do everything we can to
16 honor and support those who have served our nation; and

1 WHEREAS, Penn State has the largest Military Appreciation
2 celebration of its kind in the Big 10 Conference; and

3 WHEREAS, While Penn State regularly offers multiple programs
4 of support, resources and wide-ranging recognition to our
5 military personnel, it also dedicates two weeks in the fall to
6 our service men and women; and

7 WHEREAS, Today, more than 5,600 Penn State students have
8 direct military ties as active-duty service members, reservists,
9 veterans or military dependents, across all of Penn State's
10 campuses, including Penn State World Campus; and

11 WHEREAS, Penn State has consistently been recognized as a
12 military-friendly school for the many academic programs and
13 support resources available to active duty, veteran and Reserve
14 Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) students; and

15 WHEREAS, For veteran students at every Penn State campus and
16 online through the World Campus, Penn State offers peer
17 counseling services and assists with VA benefits, the college
18 application process, financial aid and living arrangements
19 through the Office of Veterans Programs; and

20 WHEREAS, As part of its mission, Penn State has offered
21 training in military studies since its founding in 1855; and

22 WHEREAS, The GI Bill helped boost enrollments at Penn State
23 following World War II; and

24 WHEREAS, ROTC participation at Penn State was mandatory for
25 male students until 1962; and

26 WHEREAS, This year's Military Appreciation theme recognizes
27 100 years of women officially serving in the United States Armed
28 Forces since World War I; and

29 WHEREAS, At Penn State, women have a rich military history,
30 from training as aeronautical engineers during World War II to

1 participating in the university's ROTC beginning in 1972, when
2 for the first time women were permitted to join the program
3 nationally; and

4 WHEREAS, Today, approximately 25% of Penn State's ROTC cadets
5 are women serving alongside male counterparts; and

6 WHEREAS, Military service is an integral component of Penn
7 State's long history; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
9 27 through November 11, 2018, as "Military Appreciation Week" in
10 Pennsylvania in coordination with The Pennsylvania State
11 University; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize Penn
13 State's history of support for our nation's military and honor
14 those who have served in the United States Armed Forces.