

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 386 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY DEASY, GREINER, KHAN, VENKAT, HILL-EVANS, GIRAL, BERNSTINE, KINSEY AND PISCIOTTANO, APRIL 10, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 10, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing April 15, 2024, as "Jim Leyland Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, In 1963, Jim Leyland began his baseball career with  
4 the Detroit Tigers as a player-coach and manager in the minor  
5 leagues and stayed until 1982; and

6 WHEREAS, In 1982, Mr. Leyland became the third base coach  
7 with the Chicago White Sox; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1985, Mr. Leyland was named the 33rd manager in  
9 Pittsburgh Pirates history and remained in that role from 1986  
10 to 1996; and

11 WHEREAS, During his time with the Pirates, he was Manager of  
12 the Year twice and runner-up twice; and

13 WHEREAS, Under Mr. Leyland, the Pirates went to the National  
14 League Championship Series in three straight seasons: 1990, 1991  
15 and 1992; and

16 WHEREAS, In 1997, Mr. Leyland was hired to manage the Florida  
17 Marlins and led them to the franchise's first World Series that  
18 year; and

1       WHEREAS, In 1999, Mr. Leyland was hired by the Colorado  
2 Rockies where he reached 1,000 wins on April 15; and

3       WHEREAS, He eventually returned to Detroit as manager and led  
4 the Tigers to the World Series; and

5       WHEREAS, In 2006, Mr. Leyland was recognized with the Manager  
6 of the Year award for the third time in his career and also won  
7 the *Sporting News* Manager of the Year Award for the American  
8 League; and

9       WHEREAS, In 2011, Mr. Leyland would reach 1,500 wins, again  
10 on April 15; and

11       WHEREAS, In 2012, he led Detroit to the World Series; and

12       WHEREAS, His 44 postseason wins are tied for fourth most in  
13 Major League Baseball history; and

14       WHEREAS, Mr. Leyland retired from managing following the 2013  
15 season; and

16       WHEREAS, On April 15, 2016, he was named manager of Team USA  
17 at the 2017 World Baseball Classic, where he led the team to its  
18 first gold medal finish, making him the only manager to win a  
19 World Series and a World Baseball Classic title; and

20       WHEREAS, On May 30, 2017, Mr. Leyland was inducted into the  
21 Michigan Sports Hall of Fame in Detroit; and

22       WHEREAS, On December 3, 2023, he was elected to the National  
23 Baseball Hall of Fame Class of 2024; and

24       WHEREAS, Mr. Leyland calls the Pittsburgh suburb of Thornburg  
25 home, and it is where he has raised two children, Patrick and  
26 Kellie, with his wife, Katie; therefore be it

27       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize April  
28 15, 2024, as "Jim Leyland Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it  
29 further

30       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the

- 1 Pittsburgh Pirates coach and his accomplishments in Major League
- 2 Baseball.