THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 225 Session of

INTRODUCED BY KINSEY, HILL-EVANS, MADDEN, HOWARD, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, KHAN, DELLOSO, BOROWSKI, BELLMON, SANCHEZ AND GREEN, SEPTEMBER 29, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2023

A RESOLUTION

- Designating October 19, 2023, as "Purple Thursday" and as "Domestic Violence Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania. 2
- 3 WHEREAS, Domestic violence is a pervasive problem affecting
- individuals, families and communities across the United States,
- 5 including this Commonwealth; and
- 6 WHEREAS, It is essential to raise public awareness about
- 7 domestic violence and its devastating impact on victims,
- 8 families and society as a whole; and
- 9 WHEREAS, "Purple Thursday" is a national campaign aimed at
- 10 promoting awareness about domestic violence, highlighting the
- importance of prevention and providing support for victims and 11
- 12 survivors; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The color purple symbolizes courage, peace, survival
- 14 and dedication to ending domestic violence; and
- 15 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth recognizes the significance of
- 16 "Domestic Violence Awareness Day" as an opportunity to educate
- the public, encourage community involvement and foster an 17

- 1 environment of support for individuals affected by domestic
- 2 violence; and
- 3 WHEREAS, "Domestic Violence Awareness Day" serves to honor
- 4 the survivors, remember the victims and reinforce the commitment
- 5 of our Commonwealth to combat domestic violence; and
- 6 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has been at the forefront of
- 7 efforts to address domestic violence, with various
- 8 organizations, advocates and law enforcement agencies working
- 9 tirelessly to support victims, raise awareness and promote
- 10 prevention strategies; and
- 11 WHEREAS, It is crucial to acknowledge the significant strides
- 12 made in this Commonwealth in the fight against domestic violence
- 13 while recognizing that more work is needed to eradicate this
- 14 heinous crime; therefore be it
- 15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
- 16 19, 2023, as "Purple Thursday" and as "Domestic Violence
- 17 Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.