

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY KAZEEM, RIVERA, GUENST, VENKAT, HILL-EVANS,
HOHENSTEIN, PROBST, NEILSON, CONKLIN, SANCHEZ, BURGOS,
MERSKI, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, GALLAGHER, D. WILLIAMS, SHUSTERMAN,
DEASY, O'MARA, MENTZER AND SCHMITT, JUNE 13, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 16, 2025

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of June 16 through 22, 2025, as "Women in
2 Law Enforcement Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State Police became the nation's
4 first state police agency to fully integrate women troopers into
5 the regular command structure in 1972; and

6 WHEREAS, The fourteen women of the 31st Cadet Class paved the
7 way for women in law enforcement in this Commonwealth; and

8 WHEREAS, Today, there are approximately 450 women who serve
9 in the Pennsylvania State Police, although women account for
10 fewer than 10% of all State troopers; and

11 WHEREAS, Women in law enforcement remain underrepresented
12 throughout this Commonwealth and must contend with the
13 persisting "glass ceiling," which can limit advancement into
14 leadership roles; and

15 WHEREAS, Many women in law enforcement must balance their
16 careers with familial responsibilities of being a mother and
17 caretaker; and

1 WHEREAS, Research has shown that increasing the number of
2 women in law enforcement leads to positive outcomes, such as
3 improved handling of domestic violence cases; and

4 WHEREAS, Law enforcement professionals in this Commonwealth
5 continuously make personal sacrifices to serve our communities
6 throughout their careers; and

7 WHEREAS, Women in law enforcement face unique challenges in
8 the workforce due to their historic underrepresentation; and

9 WHEREAS, These remarkable and courageous women deserve to be
10 recognized for their contributions to the field of law
11 enforcement in the face of such adversity; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
13 week of June 16 through 22, 2025, as "Women in Law Enforcement
14 Week" in Pennsylvania.