

Senate of Pennsylvania



HARRISBURG, PA

In the Senate, October 15, 2013

Whereas, Pennsylvania attorneys provide legal assistance at low or no cost, commonly referred to as "pro bono" work, to more than 100,000 low-income clients each year, including 10,000 mortgage foreclosure cases and 12,000 domestic violence cases; and

Whereas, The fifth annual National Pro Bono Week will be celebrated at the end of October 2013; and

Whereas, National Pro Bono Week is an opportunity to highlight the difference attorneys make in their communities, to recruit and train more pro bono volunteers and to acknowledge the partnerships that form the basis for many of the private bar's most successful pro bono efforts; and

Whereas, The Pennsylvania Bar Association is once again joining with the American Bar Association to sponsor this October's annual National Pro Bono Week celebrations; and

Whereas, National Pro Bono Week provides numerous opportunities to highlight the good work Pennsylvania attorneys do for the most needy among us; and

Whereas, Pro bono legal services contribute to the effective and efficient administration of justice; and

Whereas, Pennsylvania is a leader in celebrating National Pro Bono Week with what have become annual events at many sites across this Commonwealth, and with new events being planned for this year; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate designate the week of October 20 through 26, 2013, as "Pro Bono Week" in Pennsylvania.

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 227, introduced by Senators Dominic Pileggi, Jim Ferlo, John M. Wozniak, Shirley M. Kitchen, Andrew E. Dinniman, Rob Teplitz, LeAnna M. Washington, Stewart J. Greenleaf, John C. Rafferty, Jr., Lawrence M. Farnese, Jr., Matt Smith, Wayne D. Fontana, Edwin B. Erickson, Gene Yaw, Don White, Elisabeth J. Baker, Randy Vulakovich, Richard Alloway, II, Judith L. Schwank, Anthony H. Williams, Vincent J. Hughes, Jay Costa, Mike Brubaker and Richard A. Kasunic, and adopted by the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the fifteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, two thousand thirteen.

Attest:




Megan Tolino Consedine, Secretary