

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing State Treasurer Joe Torsella and the Treasury
2 Department for outstanding work on behalf of the citizens of
3 this Commonwealth.

4 WHEREAS, Public officials are entrusted by the public to be
5 open and transparent; and

6 WHEREAS, In an effort to provide the residents of this
7 Commonwealth more information on the Commonwealth's finances,
8 State Treasurer Torsella and the Treasury Department announced
9 the creation of the Treasury Transparency Portal in February
10 2017; and

11 WHEREAS, The Treasury Transparency Portal, unveiled on June
12 5, 2017, provides residents an easy-to-understand visual
13 breakdown of the Commonwealth's operating budget; and

14 WHEREAS, The Treasury Department developed the portal without
15 additional State funding; and

16 WHEREAS, In the absence of additional funding, employees of
17 the Treasury Department developed the portal by optimizing in
18 -house resources and using creative process redesign; and

1 WHEREAS, For the hard work on behalf of the residents of this
2 Commonwealth and for the innovation to improve government
3 transparency, State Treasurer Torsella and the Treasury
4 Department were awarded the 2017 Excellence in Technology Award
5 at the Pennsylvania Digital Government Summit; and

6 WHEREAS, State Treasurer Torsella and the Treasury Department
7 were recognized nationally and received the Digital Edge 50
8 award, which is given to organizations for their successful
9 digital transformation and innovative use of technology; and

10 WHEREAS, The Treasury Department's innovative use of
11 technology provides financial information about the State's use
12 of taxpayer's money in a manner which is both easy to use and
13 designed specifically for the purpose of government transparency
14 and accountability; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize State
16 Treasurer Joe Torsella and the employees of the Treasury
17 Department for outstanding work and service on behalf of the
18 residents of this Commonwealth; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives congratulate
20 State Treasurer Torsella and the Treasury Department on the
21 national and State awards for the hard and innovative work done
22 in the development of the Treasury Transparency Portal.