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DELAWARE STATE SENATE 150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33

OBSERVING APRIL 2019 AS THE 2019 MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD AND APRIL 18, 2019 AS THE OFFICIAL DAY OF RECOGNITION OF THE MILITARY CHILD IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, thousands of brave Americans demonstrate their courage and commitment to freedom by serving in 2 the Armed Forces of the United States both on Active Duty and in the National Guard and Reserves; and 3 WHEREAS, State legislation was enacted in August 2015, that requires Delaware public schools have parents or 4 guardians identify if their student is military-connected. For the 2018-19 school year just over 4,000 public school students 5 have been identified as military-connected, and this number does not include any military-connected students in Delaware 6 private schools and homeschools; and 7 WHEREAS, Delaware is committed to being an active participant in the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (MIC3) which facilitates military children's transition in school systems across state 8 9 lines; and 10 WHEREAS, the youth of our service members continue to make significant contributions to family, schools, 11 communities, the nation, and our state, despite prolonged and repeated absences of one or both parents or family members; 12 and 13 WHEREAS, these children are a source of pride and honor to us all, and it is only fitting that we take the time to 14 recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit, and let our uniformed men and women know that while they are taking 15 care of us, we are helping to care for their children; and 16 WHEREAS, the recognition of April as the "Month of the Military Child" allows us to pay tribute to military 17 children for their commitment, patience, and courage and show our unconditional support of our troops and their family 18 members. 19 NOW, THEREFORE: BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 150th General Assembly, the House of Representatives concurring 20 21 therein, that April 2019 is hereby set aside as the "2019 Month of the Military Child" and April 18, 2019 as the official Day

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leaders to mark this day and month with appropriate observance to honor, support, and thank our military children.

of Recognition of the Military Child in the State of Delaware and urge all citizens, businesses, educators, and government

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SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution observes April 2019 as the 2019 Month of the Military Child and April 18, 2019 as the official Day of Recognition of the Military Child in the State of Delaware.

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