THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 15, 2016

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing April 5, 2016, as "National Healthy Schools Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, "National Healthy Schools Day" observances in
- 4 communities nationwide highlight the impact of school facilities
- 5 and the school environment on child health, development and
- 6 academic achievement; and
- 7 WHEREAS, A healthy learning environment heightens student
- 8 attendance and student performance; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is committed to the health of all
- 10 students in public school districts, charter schools,
- 11 intermediate units, career and technical education schools and
- 12 area vocational-technical schools; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The Department of Education, the Department of
- 14 Health and other State agencies promote healthy schools policies

- 1 in cooperation with school officials and community partners; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has implemented guidelines to
- 3 prevent or resolve indoor air quality problems in public school
- 4 facilities where young children and children with special needs
- 5 are especially vulnerable to toxic mold and chemical exposure,
- 6 which can affect their development, cause upper respiratory
- 7 illnesses and contribute to learning disabilities; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Indoor air quality can also affect attendance,
- 9 concentration and performance of both children and teachers who
- 10 normally spend between 30 to 50 hours each week in school
- 11 buildings; and
- 12 WHEREAS, A goal of "National Healthy Schools Day" is to raise
- 13 awareness regarding air quality in our schools and to encourage
- 14 schools to improve air quality by providing better ventilation,
- 15 maintenance and cleaning of heating, ventilation and air
- 16 conditioning systems and by using nontoxic cleaning products;
- 17 therefore be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize April
- 19 5, 2016, as "National Healthy Schools Day" in Pennsylvania.