
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY PIPPY, MUSTO, FERLO, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, KASUNIC,
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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 30, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing May 2008 as "Science: It's Elementary Showcase of
2 Student Learning Month" in Pennsylvania and commending
3 Science: It's Elementary for its outstanding contributions to
4 the science education reform initiative.

5 WHEREAS, During the month of May 2008, school districts
6 across this Commonwealth participating in Science: It's
7 Elementary will host showcases of student learning; and

8 WHEREAS, Students will showcase scientific discovery and
9 actively engage parents, teachers, community members and
10 legislators with investigations from the Science: It's
11 Elementary modules that highlight important science concepts
12 sparked by hands-on, inquiry-based learning; and

13 WHEREAS, Since its establishment in 1994, Achieving Student
14 Success Through Excellence in Teaching (ASSET) has directly
15 impacted more than 1,800 teachers and 125,000 students annually
16 in approximately 40 private schools, charter schools and public
17 school districts in western Pennsylvania; and

18 WHEREAS, The Department of Education is now partnering with

1 ASSET to provide teacher professional development for 2,600
2 teachers, impacting nearly 59,000 students in 120 school
3 districts across 47 counties throughout this Commonwealth; and

4 WHEREAS, Because of the partnership between ASSET and the
5 Department of Education, elementary school students are learning
6 science through education practices delivered by highly
7 dedicated and qualified educators who have participated in
8 ASSET's rigorous professional development program; and

9 WHEREAS, ASSET has bridged school districts in western
10 Pennsylvania and across this Commonwealth with quality
11 educational opportunities by bringing together governmental
12 agencies, corporations, foundations and universities in support
13 of science education reform; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of May 2008 as
15 "Science: It's Elementary Showcase of Student Learning Month" in
16 Pennsylvania and commend Science: It's Elementary for its
17 outstanding contributions to the science education reform
18 initiative.