

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 560 Session of
2008

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HARHART, SONNEY, MILNE AND BRENNAN, JANUARY 23, 2008

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JANUARY 23, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating January 2008 as "School Director Recognition Month"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Local school districts and their governing boards
4 were established by the General Assembly more than 150 years
5 ago. Indeed, public education is the only public service
6 mandated by the Constitution of Pennsylvania; and

7 WHEREAS, School board members govern individual school
8 districts, establish local policies, approve educational
9 programs, provide necessary physical facilities, hire properly
10 certified professional and classified employees and share in
11 costs by raising necessary local funds used along with State
12 funds to operate district educational programs; and

1 WHEREAS, Being an effective school director is no easy task,
2 particularly in the current climate of school change. Today's
3 lay school leaders need to be knowledgeable about many complex
4 educational and social issues; and

5 WHEREAS, School board service is perhaps the purest form of
6 grass roots democratic principles upon which our republic was
7 founded. Local public school directors are dedicated, educated,
8 responsible citizens who carry out the truest form of
9 representative government in our democracy - volunteer public
10 service; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
12 month of January 2008 as "School Director Recognition Month" in
13 Pennsylvania; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately
15 transmitted to the Pennsylvania School Boards Association.