## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 561

Session of 2008

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

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Declaring the week of January 27 through February 2, 2008, as 2 "Catholic Schools Week" in this Commonwealth.
- 3 WHEREAS, Catholic schools in this Commonwealth are
- 4 celebrating "Catholic Schools Week" from January 27 through
- 5 February 2, 2008; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Catholic elementary and secondary schools, educating
- 7 183,628 students annually, save State and local taxpayers more
- 8 than \$1 billion each year; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The theme for "Catholic Schools Week" this year is
- 10 "Catholic Schools Light the Way"; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The theme focuses on the leadership that Catholic
- 2 schools provide to our nation, producing graduates who light the
- 3 way to a brighter future for all humankind; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Catholic schools instill in young people a strong
- 5 foundation of values, self-esteem, self-confidence and
- 6 leadership skills; and
- WHEREAS, Catholic schools, in providing young people with
- 8 solid values and academic skills needed in becoming responsible
- 9 citizens of this Commonwealth and nation, have a dropout rate of
- 10 less than 3% and a postgraduate higher education enrollment rate
- 11 of 80%; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare the week
- 13 of January 27 through February 2, 2008, as "Catholic Schools
- 14 Week" in this Commonwealth and express congratulations and
- 15 appreciation to Catholic elementary and secondary schools across
- 16 this Commonwealth on the occasion of "Catholic Schools Week" in
- 17 2008.