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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating May 8, 2007, as "Early Care and Education Action 2 Day."
- 3 WHEREAS, Kindergarten teachers estimate that one out of every
- 4 three children enters the classroom without the basic tools for
- 5 learning; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Children who enter school unprepared to learn have a
- 7 difficult time succeeding academically; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Research into young children's development proves
- 9 that the benefits of high-quality early care and education
- 10 programs, such as prekindergarten, are dramatic and lasting; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Children who enter kindergarten from high-quality
- 12 early care and education programs have better reading, language
- 13 and social skills than their peers, earn better test scores in
- 14 later grades and are more likely to graduate from high school;
- 15 and
- 16 WHEREAS, Investing in high-quality early care and education

- 1 programs reduces long-term public sector expenditures on special
- 2 education, welfare and criminal justice; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate designate May 8, 2007, as "Early
- 4 Care and Education Action Day" in this Commonwealth.