## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY ERICKSON, SCARNATI, MELLOW, KASUNIC, CORMAN, MUSTO, FERLO, FONTANA, O'PAKE, ORIE, PICCOLA, KITCHEN, BAKER, WASHINGTON, DINNIMAN, TOMLINSON, MADIGAN, LOGAN, TARTAGLIONE, BRUBAKER, GREENLEAF, FOLMER, PIPPY, BROWNE, C. WILLIAMS, EARLL, WAUGH AND REGOLA, JANUARY 16, 2008

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Declaring the week of January 27 through February 2, 2008, as "Catholic Schools Week" in this Commonwealth.
- 3 WHEREAS, Catholic schools in this Commonwealth are
- 4 celebrating "Catholic Schools Week" during the week beginning
- 5 January 27, 2008; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The theme for this year is "Catholic Schools Light
- 7 the Way"; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Catholic elementary and secondary schools educate
- 9 approximately 183,628 students annually and save State and local
- 10 taxpayers more than \$1 billion each year; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Catholic schools instill in young people a strong
- 12 foundation of values, self-esteem, self-confidence and
- 13 leadership skills; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Catholic schools, in providing young people a strong
- 15 foundation of values and academic skills needed in becoming
- 16 responsible citizens of this Commonwealth and nation, have a

- 1 drop-out rate of less than 3% and a postgraduate higher
- 2 education rate of 80%; therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the Senate declare the week of January 27
- through February 2, 2008, as "Catholic Schools Week" in this 4
- Commonwealth and express congratulations and appreciation to 5
- 6 Catholic elementary and secondary schools across this
- 7 Commonwealth on the occasion of "Catholic Schools Week" in 2008.