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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE RESOLUTION**

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing October 2008 as "Parental Involvement Month" in  
2 Pennsylvania, and recognizing the vital role parents have in  
3 assuring the success of their children.

4 WHEREAS, Children are Pennsylvania's most vital and valuable  
5 resources; and

6 WHEREAS, Education is the foundation of our democratic  
7 society and provides the opportunity for children to reach the  
8 highest levels of achievement and to live productive lives; and

9 WHEREAS, Parents are their children's first and most  
10 influential teachers, and all parents and families have hopes  
11 and goals for their children; and

12 WHEREAS, Parents' involvement in their children's learning  
13 prior to school entrance is essential for school readiness; and

14 WHEREAS, Parents' involvement in children's education is a  
15 determining factor in children's academic success; and

16 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania recognizes the important role that  
17 parents, guardians, grandparents and other family members play  
18 in children's learning and education; and

1       WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is dedicated to providing high quality  
2 early childhood parenting supports that engage parents in their  
3 children's early learning; and

4       WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is dedicated to providing the high  
5 quality education that all children deserve in accessible,  
6 welcoming environments; and

7       WHEREAS, Community and faith-based organizations contribute  
8 to learning and offer support services to families and schools;  
9 and

10       WHEREAS, When parents work with schools supported by  
11 communities in shared partnerships, children become lifelong  
12 learners and community contributors; therefore be it

13       RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize October 2008 as "Parent  
14 Involvement Month" and urge all citizens to recognize and  
15 celebrate the importance of parents and families in their  
16 children's lives and the vital role they have in their  
17 children's learning and education.