## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 11 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY STERN, ARGALL, BAKER, BARRAR, BEAR, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, BEYER, BOYD, BROOKS, CALTAGIRONE, CLYMER, COHEN, CONKLIN, CREIGHTON, DALLY, DELOZIER, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FAIRCHILD, FLECK, FREEMAN, GABLER, GEIST, GIBBONS, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GRELL, GROVE, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARHART, HARPER, HELM, HENNESSEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, HUTCHINSON, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, LONGIETTI, MAJOR, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McCALL, MELIO, MENSCH, MILLARD, MILLER, MILNE, MOUL, MUNDY, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PEIFER, PICKETT, QUIGLEY, QUINN, RAPP, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROCK, ROEBUCK, ROSS, SAINATO, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, K. SMITH, SONNEY, STEVENSON, SWANGER, TALLMAN, VULAKOVICH, WALKO, WATSON, WHITE AND TRUE, JANUARY 26, 2009

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JANUARY 26, 2009

## A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating January 2009 as "School Director Recognition Month" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, Local school districts and their governing boards
4	were established by the General Assembly more than 150 years
5	ago; and
6	WHEREAS, Public education is the only public service mandated
7	by the Constitution of Pennsylvania; and
8	WHEREAS, School board members govern individual school
9	districts, establish local policies, approve educational
10	programs, provide necessary physical facilities, hire properly
11	certified professional and classified employees and share in
12	costs by raising necessary local funds used along with State

1 funds to operate district educational programs; and 2 WHEREAS, Being an effective school director is no easy task, 3 particularly in the current climate of school change; and 4 WHEREAS, Today's lay school leaders need to be knowledgeable about many complex educational and social issues; and 5 WHEREAS, School board service is perhaps the purest form of 6 7 grass roots democratic principles upon which our republic was 8 founded; and

9 WHEREAS, Local public school directors are dedicated, 10 educated, responsible citizens who carry out the truest form of 11 representative government in our democracy, volunteer public 12 service; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the 14 month of January 2009 as "School Director Recognition Month" in 15 Pennsylvania; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately 17 transmitted to the Pennsylvania School Boards Association.

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