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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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DINNIMAN, GREENLEAF, BROWNE, TEPLITZ, COSTA, RAFFERTY,  
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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating July 14, 2016, as "Summer Learning Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "Summer Learning Day" is a day to reflect on the  
4 importance of keeping youth learning, safe and healthy every  
5 summer and ensuring they return to school in the fall ready to  
6 succeed in the year ahead; and

7 WHEREAS, Summer learning loss is a significant contributor to  
8 the achievement gap, a gap which remains constant during the  
9 nine months of the school year, but widens during the summer  
10 months; and

11 WHEREAS, Summer learning programs are proven to maintain and  
12 advance students' academic and social growth, keep children safe  
13 and healthy during the summer and send young people back to  
14 school ready to learn; and

15 WHEREAS, Summer youth employment programs engage older youth  
16 in meaningful activities that allow them to explore careers of  
17 interest, take on new responsibilities, contribute to their

1 community and earn money for the future; and

2 WHEREAS, A wide array of public agencies, community-based  
3 organizations, schools, libraries, museums, recreation centers,  
4 camps and businesses in our community contribute to the well-  
5 being of youth through summer programming; and

6 WHEREAS, Summer learning is a critical component of our  
7 collective effort to ensure all students graduate from high  
8 school prepared for college, careers and life; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the importance of  
10 providing a safe learning environment for children after school  
11 and during the summer months and support these programs; and be  
12 it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate July 14, 2016, as "Summer  
14 Learning Day" in Pennsylvania.