

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 425 Session of 2011

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 3, 2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating Tuesday, October 4, 2011, as "Music Education
2 Advocacy Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, School-based music education is important and
4 beneficial for students of all ages; and

5 WHEREAS, Music education programs enhance intellectual
6 development and enrich the academic environment for students of
7 all ages; and

8 WHEREAS, Music education provides students with the
9 opportunity to express their creativity and to develop skills
10 that will benefit them throughout the rest of their lives; and

11 WHEREAS, The skills gained through music instruction,
12 including discipline and the ability to analyze, solve problems,
13 communicate and work cooperatively, are vital for success in the

1 21st-century workplace; and

2 WHEREAS, Many students have limited access to music
3 education, which places them at a disadvantage compared to their
4 peers; and

5 WHEREAS, Every student in this Commonwealth should have an
6 opportunity to reap the benefits of music education; and

7 WHEREAS, Music educators in this Commonwealth are committed
8 to maintaining and improving school music programs for all
9 students regardless of their backgrounds or abilities; and

10 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Music Educators Association seeks
11 not only to identify music as a core subject, but also to
12 recognize music education as a mandatory component of the public
13 education curriculum in this Commonwealth; and

14 WHEREAS, "Music Education Advocacy Day" will allow music
15 teachers, concerned citizens and other advocates for music
16 education to create an even greater presence for music education
17 advocacy efforts and garner greater support for music education
18 in our public schools; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate
20 Tuesday, October 4, 2011, as "Music Education Advocacy Day" in
21 Pennsylvania.