## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of March 2013 as "Music in Our Schools Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The study of music is basic to a complete education,
- 4 nurtures many positive qualities in children and promotes skills
- 5 within the art form itself, such as the reading and
- 6 comprehension of musical language and theory, performance and
- 7 even music generation; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Studies as to the impact of music on student
- 9 performance show that music improves language and cognitive
- 10 skills, problem solving abilities, teamwork, creative thinking
- 11 and cultural understanding; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The work done by music educators in our schools is
- 13 vitally important to the social and academic well-being of
- 14 Pennsylvania's students; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Music educators in this Commonwealth are committed
- 16 to maintaining and improving school music programs for all

- 1 students, regardless of their abilities or socioeconomic status,
- 2 in fostering and nurturing a robust musical education; and
- 3 WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper for the Commonwealth to
- 4 recognize and commend the Pennsylvania Music Educators
- 5 Association for their dedication to Pennsylvania's students as
- 6 well as their concern for and efforts to enhance the quality of
- 7 music education in our schools; therefore be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of March 2013
- 9 as "Music in Our Schools Month" in Pennsylvania and encourage
- 10 teachers, students and all citizens of this Commonwealth to
- 11 participate in music education opportunities.