THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY KINSEY, MAHER, NEILSON, HENNESSEY, CALTAGIRONE, MACKENZIE, SCHLOSSBERG, DAY, TOOHIL, CHARLTON, MURT, BURNS, DRISCOLL, LONGIETTI, FREEMAN, D. COSTA, SCHLEGEL CULVER, BOBACK, BIZZARRO, WARD, THOMAS, PASHINSKI, HELM, RAPP, DUSH, SONNEY, MARSICO, DIGIROLAMO, MILLARD, READSHAW AND ROZZI, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of September 10 through 16, 2017, as "Direct Support Professionals Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals and support
- 4 coordinators are people who help individuals with intellectual
- 5 disabilities to have real choices, to work, live and socialize
- 6 in their communities, to realize their dreams, to transform
- 7 their lives and to be included in the everyday lives of their
- 8 communities; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals and support
- 10 coordinators are staff who work directly with consumers in
- 11 residential, day and employment services and support programs;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals and support
- 14 coordinators support thousands of individuals across this
- 15 Commonwealth and inspire us with their ability to work with

- 1 individuals with intellectual disabilities and assist them with
- 2 securing meaningful jobs, finding appropriate housing
- 3 arrangements, learning to navigate public transportation systems
- 4 and engaging in social activities throughout their communities;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals and support
- 7 coordinators are deserving of special recognition; therefore be
- 8 it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 10 week of September 10 through 16, 2017, as "Direct Support
- 11 Professionals Week" in Pennsylvania.