THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 635

Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY BURNS, RYAN, DeLUCA, DRISCOLL, DiGIROLAMO, QUIGLEY, KNOWLES, TOEPEL, ENGLISH, McGINNIS, MATZIE, BOBACK, WARD, DUSH, SONNEY, SCHLOSSBERG, CALTAGIRONE, DONATUCCI, HICKERNELL, JAMES, STAATS, HARKINS, MACKENZIE, BIZZARRO, PICKETT, LONGIETTI, READSHAW, R. BROWN, MULLERY, MENTZER, MURT AND NEILSON, DECEMBER 22, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, DECEMBER 22, 2017

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of January 28 through February 3, 2018, as "Catholic Schools Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Catholic schools in this Commonwealth are
- 4 celebrating "Catholic Schools Week" from January 28 through
- 5 February 3, 2018; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The theme for "Catholic Schools Week" this year is
- 7 "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed"; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Catholic schools seek to provide high academic
- 9 standards, positive spiritual values and a safe school
- 10 environment for their students to learn and grow into successful
- 11 adults; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Catholic schools instill in young people a solid
- 13 foundation of strong values, teaching commitment to serving the
- 14 needs of others in society, helping them to build healthy self-
- 15 esteem and develop leadership skills; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Administrators and teachers of Catholic schools seek
- 2 to form a partnership with each student's family, encouraging
- 3 the input and involvement of parents in the education of their
- 4 children, which leads to higher attendance rates and lower
- 5 dropout rates; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Catholic schools are highly focused upon students
- 7 dutifully completing their studies and homework, which helps
- 8 students to develop effective writing skills and prepares them
- 9 for standardized testing and higher education; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Catholic schools place special emphasis upon the
- 11 religious, moral and spiritual development of each student and
- 12 help them to understand that each person is valuable and unique
- 13 and has a special place in this world; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Catholic schools provide young people with the solid
- 15 values and academic skills needed to become responsible and
- 16 productive residents of this Commonwealth; therefore be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 18 week of January 28 through February 3, 2018, as "Catholic
- 19 Schools Week" in Pennsylvania and express congratulations and
- 20 appreciation to Catholic elementary and secondary schools across
- 21 this Commonwealth on the occasion of "Catholic Schools Week."