THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 222 Session of

INTRODUCED BY R. MACKENZIE, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, GREINER, JAMES, M. MACKENZIE, MENTZER, PICKETT AND STAATS, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of October 2023 as "Careers in
- Construction Month" in Pennsylvania.
- WHEREAS, The construction industry is one of our nation's 3
- 4 largest industries, employing more than 5 million individuals in
- the United States; and 5
- 6 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth relies on more than 200,000
- 7 construction workers and has the fifth largest construction
- workforce in the nation; and 8
- 9 WHEREAS, The construction industry needs more than 1 million
- 10 new craft professionals; and
- WHEREAS, "Careers in Construction Month" increases public 11
- 12 awareness and appreciation of construction craft professionals
- and the entire construction workforce; and 1.3
- 14 WHEREAS, During this month, employers, associations and
- 15 schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions
- 16 and local community events to inform students of the vast
- 17 employment opportunities in construction; and
- WHEREAS, There are many avenues available for individuals to 18

- 1 receive training in the field of construction, including trade
- 2 schools, joint apprenticeships, nonjoint apprenticeships,
- 3 community college programs, vocational training programs,
- 4 employer-provided industry training and online programs, each
- 5 tailored to suit the diverse aspirations and learning styles of
- 6 aspiring builders and craftsmen; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The variety of training and programs available helps
- 8 to narrow the skill gap by guiding America's youth and displaced
- 9 workers into opportunities that lead to long-term, rewarding
- 10 careers in construction and provide many paths for individuals
- 11 to become craft professionals; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 13 month of October 2023 as "Careers in Construction Month"; and be
- 14 it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor
- 16 construction craft professionals and the critical role that they
- 17 play in the development of this Commonwealth; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
- 19 residents of this Commonwealth to join in the special observance
- 20 of "Careers in Construction Month."