A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of November 14 through 20, 2018, as "Home Care Aide Week" in Pennsylvania in appreciation of those part-time and full-time caregivers who provide assistive and personal in-home care.

5 WHEREAS, Millions of Americans of all ages need some form of daily assistance to live at home; and

7 WHEREAS, Long-term nursing home care is generally more expensive than in-home care; and

9 WHEREAS, For-profit home care companies, third-party agencies and private individuals employ home care aides to assist elderly persons, convalescents and persons with disabilities who need help with activities of daily living; and

13 WHEREAS, Home care aides work with nurses, therapists, social workers and family members as part of the home care and hospice community; and

16 WHEREAS, Home care aides work closely with family members to coordinate care; and
WHEREAS, Their work includes observing, recording and reporting physical and mental changes in a client's condition; and
WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, home care aide is among the top 10 occupations with the largest job growth; and
WHEREAS, The National Association for Home Care & Hospice is a nonprofit professional association representing home care and hospice providers and advocating for the interests of persons who are chronically ill, disabled or dying; and
WHEREAS, The home care industry reduces hospital readmissions and ensures that vulnerable individuals have access to a range of services; and
WHEREAS, The House of Representatives honors the technical and interpersonal skills required to meet the demands of bringing home-based care to patients and families in communities throughout this Commonwealth and across the nation; therefore be it
RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the week of November 14 through 20, 2018, as "Home Care Aide Week" in Pennsylvania in appreciation of those part-time and full-time caregivers who provide assistive and personal in-home care.