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A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring the month of March 1997 as "Pennsylvania Arts in
2 Education Month" and March 11, 1997, as "Arts in Education
3 Day."

4 WHEREAS, The arts influence so many aspects of our lives,
5 including education, business, the economy, social problem-
6 solving and community livability; and

7 WHEREAS, The arts move us to discover the full capacity of
8 our human creativity; and

9 WHEREAS, The arts allow us to communicate our thoughts,
10 emotions and beliefs in a safe and productive manner; and

11 WHEREAS, Art is an expression of our individualism, our
12 cultures and our communities and display our perspectives on how
13 we see life; and

14 WHEREAS, We depend on the arts to transcend cultural barriers
15 and remind us of the mosaic society in which we live; and

16 WHEREAS, It is important that our youth, of all ages, be
17 encouraged to explore their creative abilities; and

18 WHEREAS, With proper instruction and enthusiasm, our children

1 can find joy and self-worth in the expression of their artistic
2 interests; and

3 WHEREAS, The arts allow students to examine and appreciate
4 art of their own culture and those of others; and

5 WHEREAS, Education of our children is the foundation of our
6 Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, Arts educators and artists in education foster
8 knowledge and awareness of the importance of the arts to all of
9 our lives; and

10 WHEREAS, Arts in our education invite our citizens, of all
11 walks of life, to explore their artistic interests; and

12 WHEREAS, Arts educators and artists in education, of all
13 disciplines, contribute to the values and principles of our
14 Commonwealth through their use of the arts; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare March
16 1997 as "Pennsylvania Arts in Education Month" and March 11,
17 1997, as "Pennsylvania Arts in Education Day"; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend school
19 art educators and artists in education, and thank them for their
20 service to our children and to our Commonwealth.