THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 18, 2008

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the month of October 2008 as "Parent Involvement
- 2 Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Children are this Commonwealth's most vital and
- 4 valuable resource; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Parents are their children's first and most
- 6 influential teachers, and all parents and families have hopes
- 7 and goals for their children; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Parental involvement in children's learning prior to
- 9 school entrance is essential for school readiness; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Parental involvement in children's education is a
- 11 determining factor in a child's academic success; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth recognizes the important role that
- 2 parents, guardians, grandparents and other family members play
- 3 in children's learning and education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Education is the foundation of our democratic
- 5 society and it provides the opportunity for children to reach
- 6 the highest levels of achievement and to live productive lives;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is dedicated to providing high
- 9 quality early childhood parenting supports that engage parents
- 10 in their children's early learning; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is dedicated to providing the high
- 12 quality education that all children deserve in accessible,
- 13 welcoming environments; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Community and faith-based organizations contribute
- 15 to learning and offer support services to families and schools;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, When parents work with schools supported by
- 18 communities in shared partnerships, children become lifelong
- 19 learners and community contributors; therefore be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 21 month of October 2008 as "Parent Involvement Month" in
- 22 Pennsylvania and urge all citizens to join the House of
- 23 Representatives in recognition and celebration of the importance
- 24 of parents and families in their children's lives and as full
- 25 partners in their children's learning and education.