THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 474 Session of 2009

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 25, 2009

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating the month of October 2009 as "Parent Involvement 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
12	WHEREAS, The Commonwealth recognizes the important role that

1 parents, guardians, grandparents and other family members play 2 in children's learning and education; and

3 WHEREAS, Education is the foundation of our democratic 4 society and it provides the opportunity for children to reach 5 the highest levels of achievement and to live productive lives; 6 and

7 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is dedicated to providing high 8 quality early childhood parenting supports that engage parents 9 in their children's early learning; and

10 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is dedicated to providing the high 11 quality education that all children deserve in accessible, 12 welcoming environments; and

WHEREAS, Community and faith-based organizations contribute to learning and offer support services to families and schools; and

16 WHEREAS, When parents work with schools supported by communities in shared partnerships, children become lifelong 17 18 learners and community contributors; therefore be it 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the month of October 2009 as "Parent Involvement Month" in 20 Pennsylvania and urge all citizens to join the House of 21 Representatives in recognition and celebration of the importance 22 23 of parents and families in their children's lives and as full 24 partners in their children's learning and education.

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