THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of November 8 through 14, 2015, as "Home
- Care Aide Week" in Pennsylvania in appreciation of those
- part-time and full-time caregivers who provide assistive and
- 4 personal in-home care.
- 5 WHEREAS, Millions of Americans of all ages need some form of
- 6 daily assistance to live at home; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Long-term nursing home care is generally more
- 8 expensive than in-home care; and
- 9 WHEREAS, For-profit home care companies, third-party agencies
- 10 and private individuals employ home care aides to assist elderly
- 11 persons, convalescents and persons with disabilities who need
- 12 help with activities of daily living; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Home care aides work with nurses, therapists, social
- 14 workers and family members as part of the home care and hospice
- 15 community; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Home care aides work closely with family members to

- 1 coordinate care; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Their work includes observing, recording and
- 3 reporting physical and mental changes in a client's condition;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, home
- 6 care aide is among the top 10 occupations with the largest job
- 7 growth; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The National Association for Home Care & Hospice is
- 9 a nonprofit professional association representing home care and
- 10 hospice providers and advocating for the interests of persons
- 11 who are chronically ill, disabled or dying; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The home care industry reduces hospital readmissions
- 13 and ensures that vulnerable individuals have access to a range
- 14 of services; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives honors the technical
- 16 and interpersonal skills required to meet the demands of
- 17 bringing home-based care to patients and families in communities
- 18 throughout this Commonwealth and across the nation; therefore be
- 19 it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 21 week of November 8 through 14, 2015, as "Home Care Aide Week" in
- 22 Pennsylvania in appreciation of those part-time and full-time
- 23 caregivers who provide assistive and personal in-home care.