## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION <br> No. $588 \underset{\substack{\text { Session } \\ 2017}}{\substack{ \\\hline}}$ 

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 30, 2017

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing November 1, 2017, as "National Family Literacy Day" in Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, Nurturing and enhancing reading, writing and
language skills benefit our families and our communities; and
WHEREAS, Regularly established family reading time fosters a shared love of books, builds literacy and reinforces reading and writing capabilities; and

WHEREAS, Literacy development begins with early exposure to language, books and stories; and

WHEREAS, Early childhood interventions, early parenting strategies, increased adult literacy and enhanced parental support for a child's school-related functioning contribute to literacy development; and

WHEREAS, Children raised in homes where family literacy is promoted become better readers and have improved academic performance; and

WHEREAS, Intergenerational family literacy programs in schools and community-based organizations can include instruction for English language learners and parenting education; and

WHEREAS, Schools, libraries and other literacy organizations are sponsoring special events to encourage the habit of reading on "National Family Literacy Day"; and WHEREAS, "National Family Literacy Day" highlights the benefits of establishing family time for families and communities when parents and children have an opportunity to read together; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize November 1, 2017, as "National Family Literacy Day" in Pennsylvania.

