

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
APRIL 26, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of May 2018 as "National Community Action  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Authorized by the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964,  
4 community action agencies (CAAs) assist low-income individuals  
5 and families in attaining financial self-sufficiency; and

6 WHEREAS, As a Federal program uniquely designed to address  
7 local target population needs and maximize the participation of  
8 individuals living in poverty, the CAA network features local  
9 private-sector, public-sector and low-income community  
10 representatives; and

11 WHEREAS, The CAA network has earned recognition as being  
12 among the largest users of volunteer services in the United  
13 States; and

14 WHEREAS, This network serves more than 16.2 million  
15 individuals and 3 million families per year in rural and urban  
16 regions of our nation; and

1 WHEREAS, The majority of participants have incomes below 75%  
2 of the Federal poverty threshold; and

3 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, where designated locally based  
4 service providers partner with Commonwealth agencies, CAAs  
5 receive funding from various Federal, State and local sources,  
6 including core Federal funding from the Community Services Block  
7 Grant (CSBG); and

8 WHEREAS, For every \$1 of CSBG funding, CAAs in this  
9 Commonwealth have received \$14.45 in additional funding; and

10 WHEREAS, The Community Action Association of Pennsylvania is  
11 a Statewide nonprofit association representing 41 CAAs that  
12 serve all 67 counties in this Commonwealth; and

13 WHEREAS, CAAs are integrated into our communities to provide  
14 people with the tools they need to improve their living  
15 conditions and move from poverty into self-sufficiency; and

16 WHEREAS, CAAs contribute to community development in their  
17 service areas; and

18 WHEREAS, CAAs actively recruit individuals and private,  
19 nonprofit and community organizations to volunteer on behalf of  
20 agency functions and agency clients; and

21 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives proudly notes the  
22 flexibility of CAAs and their representatives and volunteers in  
23 mobilizing resources, forging partnerships and offering  
24 essential human services and opportunities for low-income  
25 Pennsylvanians; therefore be it

26 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
27 month of May 2018 as "National Community Action Month" in  
28 Pennsylvania.