## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 863

Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY SONNEY, BIZZARRO, BOBACK, BROWN, BURNS, CIRESI, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DONATUCCI, GAINEY, GLEIM, GREINER, HENNESSEY, HILL-EVANS, KIM, KINSEY, KORTZ, MALAGARI, McCARTER, MENTZER, MILLARD, MURT, NEILSON, PICKETT, READSHAW, RYAN, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHMITT, STAATS, THOMAS, WARREN, WHEELAND AND WILLIAMS, MAY 12, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MAY 12, 2020

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the 125th anniversary of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association.
- 3 WHEREAS, The General Assembly established school boards under
- 4  $\,$  the Free School Act of 1834 to ensure that responsibility for
- 5 the daily operation of public schools was vested in local
- 6 elected officials who are accountable to the communities they
- 7 serve; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania School Boards Association was
- 9 established in 1895 by school directors from across this
- 10 Commonwealth as the first Statewide association of school
- 11 directors in the nation; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania School Boards Association is
- 13 pledged to the highest ideals of local lay leadership for the
- 14 public schools of the Commonwealth; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania School Boards Association has
- 16 provided distinguished service to school directors for 125 years

- 1 and, through its advocacy on behalf of public education,
- 2 continues to be a leading voice for public school leaders; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania School Boards Association is
- 4 committed to providing tools and resources that equip its
- 5 members with the skills needed to meet the ever-changing needs
- 6 of students and public education, particularly through
- 7 leadership training, educational opportunities, advocacy
- 8 initiatives and legal and policy information; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania School Boards Association continues
- 10 to promote high-quality, locally driven public education and
- 11 remains committed to the ideals and principles of
- 12 responsibility, accountability and transparency; therefore be it
- 13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 14 125th anniversary of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association;
- 15 and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extend best
- 17 wishes to the Pennsylvania School Boards Association for many
- 18 more years of effective service to public schools and the
- 19 children they serve; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives applaud the
- 21 commitment of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association for
- 22 promoting high professional standards, focusing attention on
- 23 school leaders' challenges, providing a voice for school
- 24 leaders, building confidence in public education and
- 25 strengthening the role of school directors.