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RESOLUTION COSPONSOR MEMO #5

TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Jane C. Orie

DATE: April 21, 2011

SUBJECT: Educational Improvement Tax Credit Anniversary (May 3rd)

I will be reintroducing a resolution commemorating the tenth anniversary of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program on Tuesday, May 3rd.

Enacted in 2001, the EITC program enjoys broad bipartisan support by members of the General Assembly. Since the start of the program, over 3,600 businesses have pledged donations to help Pennsylvania's children. Over this time period, businesses have given almost \$490 million to this program. The average EITC scholarship is \$1,100.

Last session, *SR 334* was cosponsored by Senators Alloway, Argall, Browne, Brubaker, Costa, Dinniman, Earll, Erickson, Farnese, Ferlo, Folmer, Fontana, Gordner, Greenleaf, Kasunic, Mellow, Mensch, O'Pake, Pileggi, Pippy, Rafferty, Robbins, Stack, Tartaglione, Tomlinson, Ward, Washington, and D. White.

Please join me in cosponsoring this resolution by contacting Monica Armstrong at 787-6538 or by email at marmstrong@pasen.gov

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