

## MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members

From: Representatives Kevin Boyle, Brendan Boyle and Dennis O'Brien

Date: May 26, 2011

Subject: Co-sponsorship of Resolution – Honoring Anne Frank Elementary School's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

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In the very near future, we are planning to introduce a resolution honoring the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Anne Frank Elementary School, which is located in the Northeast Philadelphia and part of the Philadelphia School District. This school serves a pre-school through fifth grade population, consisting of children from more than 40 different nations reflecting a great diversity of native languages. Among others, the student population includes Asian Pacific, Caucasian, African American, Hispanic and multi-racial students, as well as students with learning and physical disabilities. This highly distinctive student body presents the challenge of addressing the many varied academic, social and emotional needs that arise from such diversity. Indeed, the school is a model of diversity in population as well as in program.

Embracing the special nature of their school, teachers and students come to school each day ready and eager to meet the challenges of a rigorous learning environment. Though the school's administrators and teachers acknowledge the importance of academic success, they also realize that growing up to live a productive life involves more. With this in mind, these dedicated professionals seek to foster a nurturing environment that encourages children to be life-long readers and learners, and that builds an appreciation of the basics of learning, the arts, physical well-being, technology and helping others. As students are continually prepared for their future, this holistic approach to addressing the needs of the whole child allows students to grow up to be successful members of society.

If you would like to join with me in honoring this special school by co-sponsoring this resolution, please contact Dan Green at 783-4944, or e-mail him at [DDGreen@pahouse.net](mailto:DDGreen@pahouse.net).