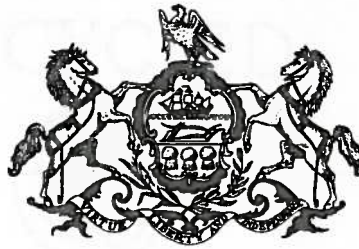


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MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members  
From: Representative Tina Davis  
Date: June 26, 2011  
Re: Commemoration of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Title IX

In the near future, I plan to introduce a resolution commemorating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Title IX.

Signed into law on June 23, 1972, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 states, "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." This landmark law has expanded opportunities for girls and women both on and off the playing field, providing important life lessons on teamwork, independence and leadership.

According to a report provided by the Women's Sports Foundation, 294,015 girls participated in high school sports in 1972. By the 2010-11 school year, the number had ballooned to 3,173,549, girls competing in high school sports, a **979 percent increase**. Beyond sports, Title IX has also ensured that women have the same access to educational opportunities, including advanced degree programs, as their male counterparts.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this resolution, please contact Debbie Brady in my office via email at [DBrady@pahouse.net](mailto:DBrady@pahouse.net) or at 717-783-4903.