
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 24, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 30 through May 6, 2007, as
2 "National Charter Schools Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The 117 charter schools in this Commonwealth and
4 their nearly 60,000 students are leading an educational
5 revolution, bringing new perspectives and innovative ideas to
6 education for ten years; and

7 WHEREAS, For a decade, charter schools have been exciting and
8 innovative schools which have changed and improved educational
9 opportunities in this Commonwealth and across the nation by
10 giving parents more choices in their children's education; and

11 WHEREAS, Communities oversee charter public schools, thereby
12 empowering parents, teachers and communities to custom-design
13 unique educational programs to increase student achievement and
14 meet the specific needs of students; and

15 WHEREAS, Charter public schools encourage competition and are
16 accountable to the localities that establish them in order to

1 foster innovation and serve as models for other public schools;
2 therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
4 week of April 30 through May 6, 2007, as "National Charter
5 Schools Week" in Pennsylvania in proud celebration of these
6 innovative schools and, in acknowledgment of Pennsylvania's
7 charter schools' first decade of the existence of these mission-
8 driven local education agencies, urge parents, teachers,
9 students and communities to support the charter public schools
10 in this Commonwealth.