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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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MAY 2, 2016

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MAY 2, 2016

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 17, 2016, as "Teacher Education Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania and recognizing the outstanding service of  
3 teacher educators who prepare teachers for the Commonwealth's  
4 classrooms.

5 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has a long history and tradition of  
6 producing teachers of the highest quality with the help and  
7 guidance of the dedicated teacher educators who prepare,  
8 supervise, observe and evaluate them; and

9 WHEREAS, Many teacher educators across this Commonwealth have  
10 dedicated their professional lives to preparing the best  
11 teachers for Pennsylvania's elementary and secondary students;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has 93 colleges and universities that  
14 offer teacher education programs approved by the Department of  
15 Education; and

1       WHEREAS, Teacher education students in Pennsylvania are  
2 exposed to a multitude of instructional opportunities during  
3 their preparation programs, including working with children from  
4 diverse backgrounds and observing talented educators currently  
5 teaching in classrooms; and

6       WHEREAS, Since 1981, the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges  
7 and Teacher Educators (PAC-TE) has served as a voice for  
8 professional educator preparation programs and has worked to  
9 produce and support high quality teachers for the students,  
10 families and communities of Pennsylvania; and

11       WHEREAS, PAC-TE is currently comprised of 83 member  
12 institutions, 338 institutional representatives and 114  
13 additional individual members; therefore be it

14       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 17,  
15 2016, as "Teacher Education Day" in Pennsylvania and recognize  
16 the outstanding service of teacher educators who prepare  
17 teachers for this Commonwealth's classrooms.