
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY DINNIMAN, LANGERHOLC, ARGALL, GREENLEAF, FONTANA,
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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of August 6 through 12, 2017, as "YMCA
2 Advocacy Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has more YMCAs than any other
4 state in the United States, with 65 associations and 108 branch
5 locations; and

6 WHEREAS, The YMCA is a charitable, nonprofit organization
7 committed to ensuring that no individual will be denied services
8 or participation in YMCA programs, including child care, day
9 camps, summer camps or YMCA membership, because of economic
10 hardship; and

11 WHEREAS, YMCAs in this Commonwealth have more than 928,000
12 members and more than 187,000 individuals participating in
13 programs and services for children, families, teens and older
14 adults; and

15 WHEREAS, The YMCA promotes youth development, healthy living
16 and social responsibility in a variety of programs and services
17 to more than 8.7% of Pennsylvanians from all ages, backgrounds,

1 faiths and income levels; and

2 WHEREAS, The YMCA is the largest child-care service provider
3 in Pennsylvania, providing more than \$11.4 million in child-care
4 subsidies for one in five children; and

5 WHEREAS, The YMCA provides long-term and short-term housing
6 to fight homelessness in this Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, The YMCA depends on the outstanding efforts of more
8 than 34,000 volunteers across this Commonwealth who provide
9 valuable community services as child-care aides, swim
10 instructors, tutors, mentors, coaches, chaperones and advocates,
11 with volunteer hours exceeding \$800,000 in value; and

12 WHEREAS, The YMCA emphasizes and maintains the core values of
13 honesty, caring, respect and responsibility in all its
14 operations; and

15 WHEREAS, The YMCA upholds the standards of accountability,
16 ethics, responsibility and transparency entrusted upon it by the
17 public as a charitable organization, standing as leaders of the
18 nonprofit community; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of August 6
20 through 12, 2017, as "YMCA Advocacy Week" in Pennsylvania.