
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SCAVELLO, FARNESE, DINNIMAN, FONTANA, GREENLEAF,
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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 17, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating April 17, 2018, as "WEDnetPA Day" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, WEDnetPA is a Statewide, State-funded workforce
3 program created in 1999 by the Department of Community and
4 Economic Development to support essential and advanced
5 technology skills training for employees of manufacturing and
6 technology companies throughout this Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, The intent of WEDnetPA is to support and leverage a
8 company's investment in employee training to reach a level of
9 performance otherwise unattainable; and

10 WHEREAS, WEDnetPA services are delivered through a cost-
11 effective network of educational partners that include community
12 colleges, State system universities and others; and

13 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania companies greatly benefit from the
14 experience and professionalism of these workforce partners; and

15 WHEREAS, Employees of these companies also greatly benefit
16 from the training and education supported through WEDnetPA; and

17 WHEREAS, WEDnetPA has engaged more than 8,500 private-sector

1 training providers to work with nearly 18,000 Pennsylvania
2 companies to help train approximately 1.2 million workers; and

3 WHEREAS, Ninety-five percent of participating companies
4 experience a positive impact on business, including increased
5 sales, decreased costs and fewer accidents; and

6 WHEREAS, Ninety-nine percent of workers who receive training
7 report positive outcomes, including job promotions, pay raises
8 and increased morale; and

9 WHEREAS, A well-trained and talented workforce is the
10 foundation of a strong business community and thriving state
11 economy; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate April 17, 2018, as
13 "WEDnetPA Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Senate commend and thank the WEDnetPA
15 partners for their hard work and commitment toward improving the
16 skills of Pennsylvania's workers and the support provided for
17 Pennsylvania's manufacturing and technology companies.