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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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RYAN, BIZZARRO, MURT, PICKETT, IRVIN, MILLARD, ULLMAN,  
ZIMMERMAN, HILL-EVANS, MACKENZIE, TOEPEL, MENTZER, WARREN,  
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OBERLANDER AND NEILSON, JANUARY 16, 2019

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JANUARY 16, 2019

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 7 through 13, 2019, as "National  
2 Library Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "National Library Week" is a national observance  
4 sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries  
5 across the country each April; and

6 WHEREAS, "National Library Week" celebrates the valuable  
7 contributions of libraries, librarians and library staff and the  
8 services and resources that they provide to people of all ages  
9 throughout the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, All types of libraries across the country  
11 participate, including school, public, academic and special  
12 libraries; and

13 WHEREAS, Libraries do more than house resources, having long  
14 served as trusted and treasured institutions, and librarians and  
15 library staff fuel efforts to better serve their communities,

1 campuses and schools; and

2 WHEREAS, With the cooperation of the American Library  
3 Association and the Advertising Council, the first "National  
4 Library Week" was observed in 1958 with the theme "Wake Up and  
5 Read!"; and

6 WHEREAS, In 2019, the theme for "National Library Week" is  
7 "Libraries = Strong Communities"; and

8 WHEREAS, Libraries and librarians are opening up a world of  
9 possibilities through innovative STEAM programming, makerspaces,  
10 job-seeking resources and the power of reading; and

11 WHEREAS, Libraries support democracy and effect social change  
12 through their commitment to provide equitable access to  
13 information for all library patrons regardless of race,  
14 ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity  
15 or socioeconomic status; and

16 WHEREAS, Libraries in Pennsylvania serve millions of visitors  
17 and conduct programs for children, parents, entrepreneurs,  
18 senior citizens and students; and

19 WHEREAS, "National Library Week" encourages all residents to  
20 visit a local library to take advantage of the wonderful  
21 resources and the world of knowledge and opportunity offered  
22 within; therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
24 week of April 7 through 13, 2019, as "National Library Week" in  
25 Pennsylvania.