THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY KINSEY, BURGOS, BIZZARRO, BURNS, SCHLOSSBERG, HILL-EVANS, HENNESSEY, LONGIETTI, ROTHMAN, FREEMAN, McCLINTON, RYAN, KORTZ, SCHLEGEL CULVER, KOSIEROWSKI, DiGIROLAMO, RAVENSTAHL, BOBACK, MILLARD, THOMAS, KIM, HOHENSTEIN, READSHAW, MURT AND ISAACSON, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of September 8 through 14, 2019, as "Direct Support Professionals Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals and support
- 4 coordinators are people who help individuals with intellectual
- 5 disabilities to have real choices, to work, live and socialize
- 6 in their communities, to transform their lives, to be included
- 7 in the everyday lives of their communities and to realize their
- 8 dreams; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals are staff who work
- 10 directly with consumers in residential, day and employment
- 11 services and support programs; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals and support
- 13 coordinators support thousands of individuals across this
- 14 Commonwealth and inspire us with their ability to work with
- 15 individuals with intellectual disabilities and assist them with
- 16 securing meaningful jobs, finding appropriate housing

- 1 arrangements, learning to navigate public transportation systems
- 2 and engaging in social activities throughout their communities;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, Direct support professionals and support
- 5 coordinators are deserving of special recognition; therefore be
- 6 it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 8 week of September 8 through 14, 2019, as "Direct Support
- 9 Professionals Week" in Pennsylvania.