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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY READSHAW, SAMUELSON, BIZZARRO, KINSEY, HICKERNELL,  
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SCHLEGEL CULVER, CONKLIN, MACKENZIE, EVERETT, McCARTER,  
STRUZZI, DELLOSO, DeLUCA, GAINEY, WARREN, HOWARD, B. MILLER  
AND ROEBUCK, FEBRUARY 24, 2020

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 24, 2020

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 19 through 25, 2020, 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

1 library staff fuel efforts to better serve their communities,  
2 campuses and schools; and

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

7 WHEREAS, In 2020, the theme for "National Library Week" is  
8 "Find Your Place at the Library"; and

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

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

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

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

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
25 week of April 19 through 25, 2020, as "National Library Week" in  
26 Pennsylvania.