
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1048 Session of
2015

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GOODMAN, MAJOR, GILLEN, WATSON AND MILLARD, OCTOBER 4, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 4, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of October 2016 as "Head Start Awareness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Head Start programs have provided comprehensive
4 child development and family support services to promote the
5 school readiness of low-income infants, toddlers and
6 preschoolers for 50 years; and

7 WHEREAS, The Office of Head Start administers full-day, full-
8 year center-based programs nationwide through the Department of
9 Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and
10 Families; and

11 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Head Start Association, a nonprofit
12 organization, advocates on behalf of Head Start and Early Head
13 Start programs for the benefit of children and families in our
14 Commonwealth; and

15 WHEREAS, Participating children engage in daily instruction,

1 age-appropriate activities and expanded early learning
2 initiatives in keeping with State educational standards; and

3 WHEREAS, Nutrition, health and safety programs further
4 reflect Head Start's investment in comprehensive child
5 development; and

6 WHEREAS, Federal funding and Pennsylvania State supplemental
7 funding support Head Start and Early Head Start enrollment in
8 our communities; and

9 WHEREAS, Federally funded Head Start enrollment in this
10 Commonwealth includes nearly 28,000 children from 3 to 4 years
11 of age; and

12 WHEREAS, State supplemental funds ensure continuity of care
13 in this Commonwealth by providing for the Head Start enrollment
14 of nearly 5,000 children from 3 to 4 years of age; and

15 WHEREAS, Federally funded Early Head Start enrollment in this
16 Commonwealth includes nearly 5,000 children 2 years of age and
17 under; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
19 month of October 2016 as "Head Start Awareness Month" in
20 Pennsylvania.