THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 12, 2018

A RESOLUTION

- Designating October 17, 2018, as "Libraries Move PA Forward Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania libraries provide resources, staff and
- 4 expertise that uplift the communities that they serve; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Library resources may be accessed in person or
- 6 through online methods 24 hours a day, and building hours
- 7 include evenings and weekend availability; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Library resources range from internet and computer
- 9 access to curriculum-based courses, learning materials and
- 10 technology, including 3-D printers; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Professional librarians connect patrons with
- 12 programs, research and materials with equal access and
- 13 accessibility regardless of one's financial status; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Professional librarians are specially educated with
- 15 graduate degrees to encourage information literacy, research and

- 1 knowledge acquisition; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Librarians support all ages, including toddlers,
- 3 early learners, school age youths, teens, young adults, families
- 4 and senior citizens, with appropriate expertise and targeted
- 5 resources; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Librarians recognize that literacy is power and
- 7 encourage literacy in all fields, including general information
- 8 as well as civic, social, financial and health information,
- 9 through the PA Forward initiative and Star Library framework;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, Libraries and librarians are dedicated to enhancing
- 12 literacy though providing resources, programs, individual
- 13 training and working collaboratively with schools and
- 14 educational organizations, employers, employees, job-seekers and
- 15 government programs and resources; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Library staff in public, specialized, academic,
- 17 primary school and secondary school libraries across this
- 18 Commonwealth contribute and enhance the success of our
- 19 residents; therefore be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
- 21 17, 2018, as "Libraries Move PA Forward Day" in Pennsylvania;
- 22 and be it further
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge the
- 24 immeasurable contributions made by libraries and library workers
- 25 throughout this Commonwealth.