## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

<sub>No.</sub> 18

Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY BURNS, READSHAW, NEILSON, QUIGLEY, MILLARD, D. COSTA, PICKETT, HENNESSEY, KAUFFMAN, PETRARCA, MURT, R. BROWN, DIGIROLAMO, DRISCOLL, KNOWLES, LONGIETTI, WATSON, BARRAR, MATZIE, MULLERY, O'BRIEN, DUSH, SONNEY, A. HARRIS, KAVULICH, SAYLOR, MOUL, SCHLOSSBERG, CALTAGIRONE, REESE, STAATS, STURLA, BARBIN, CORBIN, BOBACK, WARD, BIZZARRO, DEASY, HICKERNELL, GOODMAN, MARSICO, FARRY, GABLER, MARKOSEK, DeLUCA, JAMES, TURZAI, McGINNIS, FREEMAN AND KORTZ, JANUARY 23, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JANUARY 23, 2017

## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of January 29 through February 4, 2017, as "Catholic Schools Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Catholic schools in this Commonwealth are
- 4 celebrating "Catholic Schools Week" during the week of January
- 5 29 through February 4, 2017; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The theme for this year is "Catholic Schools:
- 7 Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service"; and
- 8 WHEREAS, In the 2015-2016 school year, Catholic elementary
- 9 and secondary schools educated 151,255 students and saved State
- 10 and local taxpayers more than \$2 billion; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Catholic schools instill in young people a strong
- 12 foundation of values, self-esteem, self-confidence and
- 13 leadership skills; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Catholic schools, in providing young people with a

- 1 strong foundation of the values and academic skills needed in
- 2 becoming responsible residents of this Commonwealth and this
- 3 nation, have a drop-out rate of less than 3% and a postgraduate
- 4 higher education rate of 90%; therefore be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 6 week of January 29 through February 4, 2017, as "Catholic
- 7 Schools Week" in Pennsylvania and express congratulations and
- 8 appreciation to Catholic elementary and secondary schools across
- 9 this Commonwealth on the occasion of "Catholic Schools Week" in
- 10 2017.