THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, MAY 29, 2025

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of June 9 through 13, 2025, as "Union Organizing Week" in Pennsylvania, in honor of those workers who have fought for their right to organize and bargain collectively at their workplace.

 WHEREAS, The right of workers to organize and bargain
- 6 collectively is the right of every Pennsylvania worker in every
- 7 sector of the economy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The right to organize and bargain collectively often
- 9 benefits workers by improving workplace safety and providing for
- 10 fair wages, health care, retirement security, stable schedules,
- 11 due process, equal pay and other benefits; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The decision to unionize and participate in union
- 13 activities is entirely the choice of workers; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Employers may benefit from unionization in many
- 15 ways, including improved productivity, workplace safety and
- 16 training; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Nonunionized workforces may also benefit from
- 18 unionized workforces through such things as increased wages,

- 1 benefits and safety standards; and
- 2 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth and the nation have benefited from
- 3 Pennsylvania's unionized workforces that include a diverse group
- 4 of workers, including veterans, which have powered our country,
- 5 built our middle class and lifted millions from poverty, among
- 6 other benefits; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Unions frequently help reduce wage gaps for women
- 8 workers and discrimination of workers of color; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Workers sometimes must overcome employer
- 10 interference in their unionization decision in the form of
- 11 unfair labor practices; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Employers should work with unions to provide the
- 13 best outcome for the mutual success and sustainability of the
- 14 business and workers; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Some employers attempt to deny, stall or impede the
- 16 process of reaching a first contract with a new bargaining unit,
- 17 in an attempt to circumvent and undermine the will of their
- 18 workers; and
- 19 WHEREAS, The hardworking men and women of this Commonwealth,
- 20 including veterans, who have united to form unions have
- 21 displayed immense courage and dedication in advocating for their
- 22 fellow employees, promoting a sense of solidarity and amplifying
- 23 the voices of workers who seek fair treatment; and
- 24 WHEREAS, The union negotiators who tirelessly advocate for
- 25 the rights and well-being of union members, ensuring the fair
- 26 and respectful treatment of every worker that they represent are
- 27 particularly deserving of recognition; and
- 28 WHEREAS, Organized workers contribute their skills,
- 29 dedication and hard work across this Commonwealth, through their
- 30 commitment, resilience and passion, which has been a driving

- 1 force behind the growth and prosperity of this Commonwealth,
- 2 with the goal of creating a thriving economy, flourishing
- 3 communities and improving the lives and well-being of every
- 4 individual in this Commonwealth; therefore be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 6 week of June 9 through 13, 2025, as "Union Organizing Week" in
- 7 Pennsylvania, in honor of those workers who have fought for
- 8 their right to organize and bargain collectively at their
- 9 workplace; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 11 continuing efforts of Pennsylvania workers to organize and
- 12 bargain collectively at their workplace; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
- 14 workers to know and exercise their rights, in a manner best
- 15 suited to improve work environments and their family living
- 16 conditions, while maintaining the workplace reputation for
- 17 producing high quality products and services in this
- 18 Commonwealth.