## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 382 Session of 2019

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 6, 2019

## A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating the week of June 10 through 14, 2019, as "Child Welfare Service Providers Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, Every day in Pennsylvania, thousands of children
4	receive services as a result of their involvement with county
5	child welfare agencies; and
6	WHEREAS, Pennsylvania recognizes the risks and need to
7	intervene to protect Commonwealth children and families and
8	provide services for the betterment of their lives; and
9	WHEREAS, Many of the services provided to children and
10	families through Pennsylvania's child welfare system are
11	provided by private service providers working with county child
12	welfare agencies; and
13	WHEREAS, These providers fulfill a crucial service that helps
14	to protect children, strengthen families and prevent future
15	abuse and neglect; and
16	WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers work with children

who have experienced trauma and have been victimized by physical
 abuse, sexual abuse, neglect and other forms of maltreatment;
 and

WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers bring expertise in
family preservation, foster and other out-of-home care,
counseling, behavioral health treatment, independent living
skills and other challenging areas; and

8 WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers must develop and maintain substantial knowledge and skills surrounding the needs 9 10 and rights of families, laws surrounding child welfare and the challenges of working with county child welfare agencies; and 11 12 WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers exhibit tremendous 13 dedication to the endeavor of protecting Pennsylvania's children 14 and families, often with uncertain financial security and 15 challenging work conditions; and

16 WHEREAS, The county child welfare agencies and the entirety 17 of the Pennsylvania child welfare system benefit greatly from 18 the commitment, dedication and perseverance of the child welfare 19 service providers; and

20 WHEREAS, The lives of many children and families have been 21 greatly improved due to the efforts of those fine child welfare 22 service providers; therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the 24 week of June 10 through 14, 2019, as "Child Welfare Service 25 Providers Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania.

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