
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 26, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating July 13, 2017, as "Summer Learning Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "Summer Learning Day" is a day to reflect on the
4 importance of keeping youths learning, safe and healthy every
5 summer and ensuring that they return to school in the fall ready
6 to succeed in the year ahead; and

7 WHEREAS, Summer learning loss is a significant contributor to
8 the achievement gap, a gap which remains constant during the
9 nine months of the school year but widens during the summer
10 months; and

11 WHEREAS, Summer learning programs are proven to maintain and
12 advance students' academic and social growth, keep children safe
13 and healthy during the summer and send young individuals back to
14 school ready to learn; and

15 WHEREAS, Summer youth employment programs engage older youths
16 in meaningful activities that allow them to explore careers of

1 interest, take on new responsibilities, contribute to their
2 community and earn money for the future; and

3 WHEREAS, A wide array of public agencies, community-based
4 organizations, schools, libraries, museums, recreation centers,
5 camps and businesses in our community contribute to the well-
6 being of youths through summer programming; and

7 WHEREAS, Summer learning is a critical component of our
8 collective effort to ensure that all students graduate from high
9 school prepared for college, careers and life; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate July
11 13, 2017, as "Summer Learning Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
14 importance of providing a safe learning environment for children
15 after school and during the summer months and support these
16 programs.