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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of July 8 through 13, 2019, as "Summer  
2 Learning Week" in Pennsylvania.

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

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

11 WHEREAS, Summer learning programs are proven to maintain and  
12 advance students' academic, social and emotional growth, keep  
13 children safe and healthy during the summer and send young  
14 people back to 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 communities 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 communities 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 recognize the  
11 week of July 8 through 13, 2019, as "Summer Learning Week" in  
12 Pennsylvania; and be it 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 summer  
16 learning programs.