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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MARCH 10, 2014

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 13, 2014, as "STEM Initiative  
2 Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognizes the  
4 importance of the STEM Education Coalition in promoting  
5 initiatives for effective education in science, technology,  
6 engineering and mathematics; and

7 WHEREAS, The STEM Education Coalition has made it their  
8 mission to inform Federal and State policymakers on the  
9 importance of the role that STEM education plays in the  
10 innovative competitiveness and future economy of the United  
11 States; and

12 WHEREAS, STEM subjects encompass the foundational skills  
13 necessary for securing well-paying jobs in today's fastest  
14 growing science and technological industries, and it is the goal

1 of the coalition to foster and support students and educators  
2 committed to this area of study; and

3 WHEREAS, The coalition works to inspire students, especially  
4 those of disadvantaged groups, women and veterans, urging a  
5 broad platform of students to obtain the knowledge and  
6 professional skills necessary to obtain STEM-based careers; and

7 WHEREAS, Placing strong emphasis on hands-on learning in an  
8 atmosphere encouraging inquiries, the coalition aims to enlist  
9 STEM professionals who are eager to work directly with students  
10 via internships, workshops and classroom projects; and

11 WHEREAS, Supporting professional development and preparation  
12 of educators who are dedicated to putting forward their best  
13 efforts in the teaching of STEM-targeted curricula, the  
14 coalition works to establish quality education programs; and

15 WHEREAS, The STEM Education Coalition advocates multistate  
16 collaborations dedicated to developing college and career  
17 standards of high quality for STEM subjects; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
19 week of April 13, 2014, as "STEM Initiative Week" in  
20 Pennsylvania in order to highlight the value of the STEM  
21 Education Coalition's endeavors to encourage quality education  
22 in science, technology, engineering and mathematics; and be it  
23 further

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all  
25 educators, business people, legislators and individuals in this  
26 Commonwealth to work together to increase awareness of the value  
27 of a solid STEM education so that in the future this  
28 Commonwealth can maintain a strong work force of qualified  
29 professionals, retain our standing as innovators and stimulate  
30 the economy.