## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating May 8, 2019, as "School Nurse Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 2 WHEREAS, Students are the future and by investing in them
- 3 today we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Families deserve to feel confident that their
- 5 children will be cared for when they are at school; and
- 6 WHEREAS, All students have a right to have their physical and
- 7 mental health needs safely met while in the school setting; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Students today face more complex and life-
- 9 threatening health problems requiring care in school; and
- 10 WHEREAS, School nurses have served a critical role in
- 11 improving public health and ensuring students' academic success
- 12 for more than 100 years; and
- 13 WHEREAS, School nurses address the home and community factors
- 14 that impact students' health; and
- 15 WHEREAS, School nurses are professional nurses who advance
- 16 the well-being, academic success and life-long achievements of

- 1 students by serving on the front lines and providing a critical
- 2 safety net for our nation's most fragile children; and
- 3 WHEREAS, School nurses act as a liaison to the school
- 4 community, families and health care providers on behalf of
- 5 children's health by promoting wellness and improving health
- 6 outcomes for our nation's children; and
- 7 WHEREAS, School nurses support the health and educational
- 8 success of children and youths by providing access to care when
- 9 children's cognitive development is at its peak; and
- 10 WHEREAS, School nurses are members of school-based teams to
- 11 address the school population; and
- 12 WHEREAS, School nurses understand the link between health and
- 13 learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for
- 14 children every day; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate designate May 8, 2019, as "School
- 16 Nurse Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That the Senate celebrate and acknowledge the:
- 18 (1) Accomplishments of school nurses in Pennsylvania and
- 19 across the United States.
- 20 (2) Efforts of school nurses to meet the needs of
- 21 today's students by improving the delivery of health care in
- 22 our schools.
- 23 (3) Contribution of school nurses to local communities
- 24 by helping students stay healthy in school and ready to learn
- and keeping parents and quardians at work.