## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION No. 224 Session of 2015

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## A RESOLUTION

1 2	Recognizing October 20, 2015, as "Pennsylvania Career Development Day" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, In today's economy, all students must graduate high
4	school well informed of the vast array of career choices
5	available to them and knowing how to pursue their aspirations in
6	order to successfully participate in Pennsylvania's work force;
7	and
8	WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Department of Education has adopted
9	Career Education and Work Standards that require all high school
10	graduates to demonstrate their competency in the areas of career
11	awareness and preparation, career acquisition, career retention
12	and advancement and entrepreneurship as a requirement for
13	graduation; and
14	WHEREAS, Research predicts that by 2020, about 65% of all
15	jobs in the nation will require some postsecondary education;
16	and

17 WHEREAS, Jobs that require high levels of education and

skills pay higher wages than jobs that require little education
 and few skills; and

3 WHEREAS, Earnings increase significantly as a worker's degree
4 of education rises; and

5 WHEREAS, Ninety percent of new jobs in growing industries 6 with high wages will require some postsecondary education; and 7 WHEREAS, Students who graduate from high school having 8 experienced meaningful career planning and development have the knowledge, skills and attitudes sought by employers, are 9 qualified for high-paying, in-demand jobs and are better 10 11 prepared to contribute to a stable, world class work force for 12 Pennsylvania; and

13 WHEREAS, The Capital Region Partnership for Career 14 Development collaborates with many businesses, organizations and 15 State agencies to provide students with career exploration 16 experiences, programs and resources that help them become 17 knowledgeable about traditional, nontraditional and emerging 18 postsecondary educational opportunities and career paths; and 19 WHEREAS, Schools and educators need support from the Capital 20 Region Partnership for Career Development and other 21 organizations to maintain adequate and effective career development programs, as well as support for employer networking 22 23 and teacher training to expand their knowledge of evolving 24 career opportunities for students; and

25 WHEREAS, The Capital Region Partnership for Career 26 Development recognizes the critical need for schools, employers, 27 postsecondary institutions and various community and government 28 agencies to collaborate on work force development to ensure 29 career success for the youth of Pennsylvania; therefore be it 30 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize October 20, 2015, as

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