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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 19, 2013, as "Arts Education Advocacy Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The arts, which include dance, music, theater and  
4 visual arts, are considered, in Pennsylvania and nationally,  
5 core academic subjects of the same importance as math, science  
6 and the humanities; and

7 WHEREAS, A quality arts education strengthens the development  
8 of cognitive and social skills, such as creativity, confidence,  
9 problem solving, communication, perseverance and focus, that are  
10 crucial in the preparation of all Pennsylvania students for  
11 future growth; and

12 WHEREAS, Engagement in the arts encourages engagement across  
13 all subject areas and promotes overall academic success; and

14 WHEREAS, Experiences in art-making and performing help  
15 students discover, cultivate and share their unique talents as  
16 gifts to society; and

17 WHEREAS, Students benefit when arts experiences help to  
18 transcend cultural barriers, evoke universal emotions and reveal

1 the ever-changing society in which we live; and

2 WHEREAS, An investment in arts education is an investment in  
3 an educated and productive citizenry and workforce; therefore be  
4 it

5 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate March 19, 2013, as "Arts  
6 Education Advocacy Day" in Pennsylvania as a time to recognize  
7 arts education and to express appreciation to arts educators  
8 throughout this Commonwealth.