

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 393 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY WEBSTER, KINSEY, SCHLOSSBERG, M. MACKENZIE, KAZEEM, McNEILL, RABB, PROBST, SANCHEZ, LABS, KHAN, VENKAT, HILL-EVANS, CERRATO, HANBIDGE, GUENST, BOYD, BELLMON, CONKLIN, D. WILLIAMS AND NEILSON, APRIL 11, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH, APRIL 11, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 10, 2024, as "Child-Care Provider Appreciation  
2 Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Partnerships for Children, a  
4 Statewide independent and nonpartisan nonprofit organization,  
5 reports that nearly 500,000 children under five years of age  
6 require child care so their parents and guardians can reliably  
7 get to work and support their families; and

8 WHEREAS, The Council for a Strong America, a national  
9 bipartisan nonprofit organization, reports that more than one-  
10 half of parents in this Commonwealth report being late for work,  
11 missing full days of work, needing to leave work early and being  
12 distracted at work due to child-care struggles; and

13 WHEREAS, Research shows that access to high-quality child  
14 care can increase the likelihood that a child will enter school  
15 ready to succeed and the parents or guardians of the child will  
16 maintain employment; and

17 WHEREAS, Research has further shown that participation in

1 high-quality education when a child is young can have positive  
2 impacts on the child's health outcomes later in life; and

3 WHEREAS, Child-care workers, including teachers, nannies,  
4 caregivers and day-care workers, provide peace of mind to  
5 parents and guardians, as well as an opportunity for young  
6 children to learn and grow; and

7 WHEREAS, The National Association for Family Child Care  
8 recognizes the critically important work of child-care providers  
9 every year on the Friday before Mother's Day by celebrating  
10 "Provider Appreciation Day"; and

11 WHEREAS, "Provider Appreciation Day" was first established in  
12 1995 and is now celebrated across this nation to thank the  
13 individuals who dedicate their lives to providing education and  
14 support to our children; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 10,  
16 2024, as "Child-Care Provider Appreciation Day" in Pennsylvania.