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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SCHLOSSBERG, GROVE, HILL-EVANS, GIRAL, KINSEY,  
SANCHEZ, R. MACKENZIE, KHAN, HANBIDGE, ROWE, NEILSON, HADDOCK  
AND BELLMON, APRIL 16, 2024

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 16, 2024

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of August 5 through 9, 2024, as "National  
2 Conference of State Legislatures Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)  
4 was founded in 1975 and has evolved during the past half-century  
5 to become the premier organization solely dedicated to serving  
6 state and territorial legislators and legislative staff; and

7 WHEREAS, NCSL was created from the merger of three  
8 organizations that served or represented state legislatures and  
9 that shared the belief that legislative service is one of  
10 democracy's worthiest pursuits; and

11 WHEREAS, NCSL is a bipartisan organization with three  
12 objectives:

13 (1) to advance the effectiveness, independence and  
14 integrity of state legislatures;

15 (2) to foster interstate communication and cooperation;  
16 and

17 (3) to ensure states a strong, cohesive voice in the

1 Federal system;

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3 WHEREAS, Our nation's state legislatures are America's  
4 laboratories of democracy and have continually shown that they  
5 are the bodies to tackle emerging challenges; and

6 WHEREAS, State legislatures are where people from very  
7 different backgrounds, representing very different communities,  
8 can come together and find common ground; and

9 WHEREAS, NCSL has facilitated the exchange of ideas, provided  
10 critical research and information and encouraged a rigorous  
11 review of complex issues confronting our communities, states and  
12 nation; and

13 WHEREAS, NCSL strives to strengthen the bonds between  
14 America's state legislatures and the international community;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, The 2024 NCSL Legislative Summit in Louisville,  
17 Kentucky, from August 5 through 7, 2024, marks the beginning of  
18 NCSL's semicentennial celebration; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
20 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania designate the week of August 5  
21 through 9, 2024, as "National Conference of State Legislatures  
22 Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
24 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania recognize and commend NCSL for its  
25 superb leadership and commitment to the legislative institution;  
26 and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
28 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania congratulate NCSL on its 50th  
29 anniversary in 2025 and observe NCSL's semicentennial  
30 celebration, beginning in August 2024; and be it further

1       RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
2 the National Conference of State Legislatures.