
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY BOBACK, BIZZARRO, SONNEY, MURT, DONATUCCI,
READSHAW, SCHMITT, HELM, HOWARD, LONGIETTI, FREEMAN,
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ROZZI, MOUL, POLINCHOCK, SCHLEGEL CULVER, B. MILLER, KAUFER
AND GAINNEY, MAY 26, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH, MAY 26, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of June 8 through 12, 2020, as "Child
2 Welfare Service Providers Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Every day in this Commonwealth, thousands of
4 children receive services as a result of their involvement with
5 county child welfare agencies; and

6 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth recognizes the risks and need to
7 intervene to protect children and families and provide services
8 for the betterment of their lives; and

9 WHEREAS, Many of the services provided to children and
10 families through the Commonwealth's child welfare system are
11 provided by private service providers working with county child
12 welfare agencies; and

13 WHEREAS, These providers fulfill a crucial service that helps
14 to protect children, strengthen families and prevent future
15 abuse and neglect; and

16 WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers work with children

1 who have experienced trauma and have been victimized by physical
2 abuse, sexual abuse, neglect and other forms of maltreatment;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers bring expertise in
5 family preservation, foster and other out-of-home care,
6 counseling, behavioral health treatment, independent living
7 skills and other challenging areas; and

8 WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers must develop and
9 maintain substantial knowledge and skills surrounding the needs
10 and rights of families, laws surrounding child welfare and the
11 challenges of working with county child welfare agencies; and

12 WHEREAS, Child welfare service providers exhibit tremendous
13 dedication to the endeavor of protecting this Commonwealth's
14 children and families, often with uncertain financial security
15 and challenging work conditions; and

16 WHEREAS, The county child welfare agencies and the child
17 welfare system benefit greatly from the commitment, dedication
18 and perseverance of child welfare service providers; and

19 WHEREAS, The lives of many children and families have been
20 greatly improved due to the efforts of child welfare service
21 providers and the efforts of child welfare service providers
22 serving the children and families of this Commonwealth deserve
23 special recognition; therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
25 week of June 8 through 12, 2020, as "Child Welfare Service
26 Providers Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania.