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## A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing November 16, 2016, 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, approximately 65% of
- 15 all jobs in the nation will require some postsecondary
- 16 education; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Jobs that require high levels of education and

- 1 skills pay higher wages than jobs that require little education
- 2 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
- 9 knowledge, skills and attitudes sought by employers, are
- 10 qualified for high-paying, in-demand jobs and are better
- 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
- 22 development programs, as well as support for employer networking
- 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
- RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize November 16, 2016, as

1 "Pennsylvania Career Development Day" in Pennsylvania.