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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27

DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 27- MARCH 3, 2023 AS "PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK" AND HONORING DELAWARE'S EDUCATORS AND STAFF.

- 1 WHEREAS, public education is the foundation of a 21st-century democracy; and
- 2 WHEREAS, the Nation's public schools are where students come to be educated as citizens of the United States;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, in our complex and developing community, educators lay a foundation for success in developing
- 5 students' creative thinking, collaboration, and communication skills; and
- 6 WHEREAS, educators spend untold hours and resources providing quality education to all students regardless of
- 7 backgrounds or challenges; and
- 8 WHEREAS, educators and support staff create an atmosphere for students to grow, learn, and feel safe; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the knowledge, support, and skills Delaware educators provide students will positively impact
- 10 generations for years to come; and
- 11 WHEREAS, it is paramount that educators and support staff be recognized for their dedication and commitment to
- 12 educating our students; and
- 13 WHEREAS, local, State, and Federal lawmakers should prioritize support for strengthening the Nation's public
- 14 schools and empower local education leaders to implement, manage, and lead school districts in partnership with educators,
- 15 parents, and other local education stakeholders and learning communities; and
- 16 WHEREAS, local, State, and Federal lawmakers should support such necessities as counseling, extracurricular
- 17 activities, and mental health supports that are critical to help students engage in learning; and
- 18 WHEREAS, inclusive and safe high-quality public schools are where children learn to think critically, problem
- 19 solve, and build relationships; and
- 20 WHEREAS, public schools should provide an environment where all students can succeed beginning in their
- 21 earliest years, regardless of who they are or where they live; and
- 22 WHEREAS, efforts should be supported to advance equity and excellence in public education and to implement
- 23 continuous improvement and evidence-based practices; and

24 WHEREAS, every child has the right to an education that helps them reach their full potential and to attend
25 schools that offer a high-quality educational experience; and

26 WHEREAS, stable, equitable, predictable, and adequate funding for great public schools for every student in
27 America is necessary to ensure that students have inviting classrooms and school libraries with up-to-date resources as well
28 as well-prepared and supported educators; and

29 WHEREAS, educators include teachers, paraprofessionals, and principals who provide a well-rounded and
30 complete curriculum and create joy in learning; and

31 WHEREAS, students, teachers, and professionals make the Nation's public schools vital components of the
32 community.

33 NOW, THEREFORE:

34 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
35 Senate concurring therein, that February 27 through March 3, 2023 is hereby designated as "PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK",
36 and the State Legislature calls upon Delawareans to observe this week by supporting public schools.

SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution designates the week of February 27-March 3, 2023 "PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK" and commends the hard work of educators and staff. It also calls upon Delawareans to support public schools.