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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69

DESIGNATING APRIL AS NONPROFIT IMPACT MONTH IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, over 1,000 not-for-profit small businesses are critical drivers of economic prosperity and quality of
2 life for our state; and

3 WHEREAS, local communities rely on nonprofits for educational services, workforce development, health and
4 social services, to attract visitors and to support government programs for housing, mental health and behavioral health; and

5 WHEREAS, nonprofits spend nearly \$3 billion in the local economy, and employ over 40,000 people with an
6 additional 193,000 Delawarean working in nonprofits as volunteers; and

7 WHEREAS, nonprofit organizations are small businesses serving as a critical component in our state's economy,
8 collectively serving as the third largest employer in the state; and

9 WHEREAS, the FY 2018 State budget reduced grant funding by over \$25 million, including \$8.6 million of
10 Grant-in-Aid dollars. These budget cuts resulted in a reduction in service hours and employee benefits, as well as numerous
11 employee layoffs; and

12 WHEREAS, despite these challenges, Delaware nonprofits are resilient and continue to provide critical services to
13 improve the lives of Delaware residents, and enhance the quality of life in our state.

14 NOW, THEREFORE:

15 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of the 149th General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the Senate concurring
16 therein, that April is dedicated to celebrating the impact of Delaware's nonprofits and to expanding understanding of the
17 important role they play in building healthy vibrant communities.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly commends the nonprofit sector for its contributions to
19 enrich Delaware's quality of life.

SYNOPSIS

This concurrent resolution proclaims the month of April, as "Nonprofit Impact Month" to affirm the importance of organizations in the nonprofit sector and the impact of their work for every citizen in our State, to celebrate the accomplishments of the past year, and to acknowledge our ongoing responsibility to support a robust social impact sector for citizens, communities, and economic development across the State.