A RESOLUTION

| 1 2 | Designating the week of January 27 through February 2, 2019, as "Catholic Schools Week" in Pennsylvania. |
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| 3 | WHEREAS, Catholic schools in this Commonwealth are |
| 4 | celebrating "Catholic Schools Week" from January 27 through |
| 5 | February 2, 2019; and |
| 6 | WHEREAS, The theme for "Catholic Schools Week" this year is |
| 7 | "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed"; and |
| 8 | WHEREAS, Catholic schools seek to provide high academic |
| 9 | standards, positive spiritual values and a safe school |
| 10 | environment for their students to learn and grow into successful |
| 11 | adults; and |
| 12 | WHEREAS, Catholic schools instill in young people a solid |
| 13 | foundation of strong values, teaching commitment to serving the |
| 14 | needs of others in society, helping them to build healthy self- |
| 15 | esteem and develop leadership skills; and |
| 16 | WHEREAS, Administrators and teachers of Catholic schools seek |
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17 to form a partnership with each student's family, encouraging

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1 the input and involvement of parents in the education of their 2 children, which leads to higher attendance rates and lower 3 dropout rates; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools are highly focused upon students 4 dutifully completing their studies and homework, which helps 5 students to develop effective writing skills and prepares them 6 7 for standardized testing and higher education; and WHEREAS, Catholic schools place special emphasis upon the 8 religious, moral and spiritual development of each student and 9 help them to understand that each person is valuable and unique 10 11 and has a special place in this world; and WHEREAS, Catholic schools provide young people with the solid 12 values and academic skills needed to become responsible and 13 productive residents of this Commonwealth; therefore be it 14 15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the week of January 27 through February 2, 2019, as "Catholic 16 Schools Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives express 18

19 congratulations and appreciation to Catholic elementary and 20 secondary schools across this Commonwealth on the occasion of 21 "Catholic Schools Week."

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