



School Director Recognition Month January 2008

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's public school board members, elected by the citizens, have served the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and local communities in representing the public's interest in public education since the passage of the Free School Act in 1834; and

WHEREAS, local school directors represent their communities' beliefs and values when making decisions about the operation of school districts, giving of their time and talent, without compensation, to provide high-quality educational opportunities that prepare children to live as productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, school board members ensure that standards for achievement are met and serve as advocates for the public education of the students and the enhancement of the community, incorporating the community's view of what students should know and be able to do at each grade level; and

WHEREAS, school directors are accessible to their district residents and accountable for the performance of the district's schools, serving as the community's watchdog and ensuring that tax dollars are spent wisely on education; and

WHEREAS, the "Pride & Promise – Public Schools . . . Achieve" public awareness campaign is working to highlight the success and value of public education, as well as promote the effectiveness and commitment of local school boards to providing all Pennsylvania children with an excellent education; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of the men and women who serve as school board members should be recognized and appreciated by those who benefit from the workings of our public school system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Director of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association hereby proclaims the month of January as School Director Recognition Month in this commonwealth; and

FURTHER RESOLVE that this proclamation be communicated to all school districts, school officials and local communities in a planned program which brings visibility and awareness of the role of locally elected school officials to the citizenry of this commonwealth.



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