THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, MAY 20, 2024

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of June 24 through 28, 2024, as "Union 2 Organizing Week" in Pennsylvania, in honor of those workers who have fought for their right to organize and bargain 3 collectively at their workplace. 4 5 WHEREAS, The right of workers to organize and bargain collectively must be the right of every Pennsylvania worker in 6
- 7 every sector of the economy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The right to organize and bargain collectively
- benefits workers by improving workplace safety and providing for
- 10 fair wages, health care, retirement security, stable schedules,
- 11 due process, equal pay and other benefits; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The decision to unionize is entirely the choice of
- workers; and 13
- 14 WHEREAS, Employers benefit from unionization in many ways,
- 15 including improved productivity, workplace safety and training;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, Nonunionized workforces also benefit from unionized

- 1 workforces through such things as increased wages, benefits and
- 2 safety standards; and
- 3 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth and the nation have benefited from
- 4 Pennsylvania's unionized workforces, which have powered our
- 5 country, built our middle class and lifted millions from
- 6 poverty, among other benefits; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Unions help reduce wage gaps for women workers and
- 8 discrimination for workers of color; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Workers often must overcome employer interference in
- 10 their unionization decision in the form of captive audience
- 11 meetings and other unfair labor practices; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Some employers attempt to deny, stall or impede the
- 13 process of reaching a first contract with a new bargaining unit,
- 14 in an attempt to circumvent and undermine the will of their
- 15 workers; therefore be it
- 16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 17 week of June 24 through 28, 2024, as "Union Organizing Week" in
- 18 Pennsylvania, in honor of those workers who have fought for
- 19 their right to organize and bargain collectively at their
- 20 workplace; and be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 22 continuing struggle of Pennsylvania workers to organize and
- 23 bargain collectively at their workplace; and be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
- 25 workers to know and exercise their rights, in a manner best
- 26 suited to improve work environments and their family living
- 27 conditions, while maintaining the workplace reputation for
- 28 producing high quality products and services in this
- 29 Commonwealth.