
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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KHAN, ISAACSON, SCHLOSSBERG, DALEY, HADDOCK AND O'MARA,
JANUARY 29, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE,
JANUARY 29, 2025

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of March 2025 as "National Social Work
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, For decades, the social work profession has been
4 dedicated to improving human well-being and enhancing the basic
5 needs of all individuals, especially the most vulnerable; and

6 WHEREAS, The services provided by the social work profession
7 are needed more than ever; and

8 WHEREAS, People become social workers because they have a
9 strong desire to help others and make our society a better place
10 to live for all; and

11 WHEREAS, According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, social
12 work is one of the fastest growing professions in the United
13 States; and

14 WHEREAS, Social workers have always been present in times of
15 crisis, helping individuals overcome issues such as death and
16 grief and helping individuals and communities recover from

1 natural disasters such as fires, hurricanes and earthquakes; and

2 WHEREAS, There are more than 720,000 professional social
3 workers in our nation, but that number is expected to rise to
4 more than 800,000 by 2030; and

5 WHEREAS, Social workers have helped drive significant,
6 positive changes in our nation; and

7 WHEREAS, Social workers work in all parts of our society to
8 empower individuals to live to their fullest potential; and

9 WHEREAS, School social workers have worked with families and
10 schools throughout the pandemic to ensure that students reach
11 their full academic and personal potential; and

12 WHEREAS, Social workers continue to work on the front lines
13 throughout the pandemic, helping clients receive the health care
14 they need and helping loved ones overcome grief and loss; and

15 WHEREAS, For generations, social workers have advocated for
16 positive changes that have made society a better place to live,
17 including urging policymakers to adopt the minimum wage, improve
18 workplace safety and enact social safety net programs that help
19 ameliorate hunger, homelessness and poverty; and

20 WHEREAS, Social workers are one of the largest groups of
21 mental health care providers in the United States, working daily
22 to help individuals, whether in person or remotely, overcome
23 substance use disorders and mental illnesses, such as depression
24 and anxiety; and

25 WHEREAS, Social workers remain prepared to aid our nation in
26 surmounting current and forthcoming challenges, enhancing health
27 care and mental health care for everyone and encouraging
28 lawmakers to consider comprehensive reforms; therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
30 month of March 2025 as "National Social Work Month" in

1 Pennsylvania and call upon all residents of this Commonwealth to
2 join the National Association of Social Workers in celebration
3 and support of the social work profession.