
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY STRUZZI, MULLINS, M. MACKENZIE, KHAN, SANCHEZ,
MERSKI, MENTZER, GALLAGHER AND DONAHUE, NOVEMBER 6, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES, NOVEMBER 6, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of November 2024 as "Care at Home Month"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Home care and hospice professionals provide critical
4 services to individuals with disabilities and Pennsylvania's
5 aging population, allowing them to remain in their homes and
6 stay connected with their communities; and

7 WHEREAS, Home care aides and direct care workers offer
8 essential support with daily living activities, such as managing
9 medications, meal preparation, assisting with mobility, bathing,
10 dressing, light housekeeping and transportation to medical
11 appointments; and

12 WHEREAS, Hospice care integrates medical care, pain
13 management and emotional and spiritual support, offering
14 compassionate end-of-life and palliative care to terminally ill
15 patients and their families; and

16 WHEREAS, Home health services provide skilled care, including
17 nursing services and physical, occupational, speech and
18 respiratory therapies; and

1 WHEREAS, Home care, home health and hospice professionals
2 collaborate closely with families, offering guidance and
3 training in caregiving techniques and providing needed respite
4 for family caregivers and natural supports; and

5 WHEREAS, These professionals represent more than 375,000 jobs
6 in Pennsylvania at any given time with a growing demand that may
7 require an additional 115,000 or more workers by 2030; and

8 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's aging population is growing rapidly,
9 with a projected one in three Pennsylvanians being over 60 years
10 of age by 2030; and

11 WHEREAS, More than 500,000 Pennsylvanians of all ages receive
12 home-based care in any given month; and

13 WHEREAS, Individuals of all ages who are aging or physically
14 or intellectually disabled deserve to live independent and full
15 lives in the setting of their choice; and

16 WHEREAS, There is only one worker for every eight people who
17 want and need to have care inside their own homes; therefore be
18 it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
20 month of November 2024 as "Care at Home Month" to honor and
21 express gratitude for the dedication and contributions of these
22 professionals in improving the lives of their patients.