

Whereas, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is pleased to recognize those individuals and organizations who, through their commendable dedication and service, contribute in a meaningful way toward the well-being of their communities, this Court and this Commonwealth; and

Whereas, civics education is fundamental to fostering an informed and engaged citizenry, ensuring that individuals understand their rights, responsibilities and the principles of democracy; and

Whereas, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania acknowledges the essential role of schools, educators and organizations in promoting civics education, inspiring students to participate in the democratic process and strengthening the foundation of our democracy; and

Whereas, teachers and educators across Pennsylvania demonstrate unwavering commitment to fostering civic knowledge and engagement among students, equipping them with the tools to become active and responsible citizens; and

Whereas, the second week of March has been recognized as Civic Learning Week, a time to highlight the importance of civics education, encourage participation in civic-related activities and acknowledge the ongoing contributions of educators and advocates who promote civic literacy; and

Whereas, numerous schools, organizations and institutions throughout the Commonwealth participate in Civic Learning Week, reinforcing the value of civic knowledge and engagement in sustaining a robust and thriving democracy.

Now, therefore, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania recognizes and celebrates the second week of March as Civic Learning Week in Pennsylvania, commends the educators and organizations that champion civics education, and encourages all citizens to participate in activities that enhance their understanding of and engagement in democracy.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 10th day of March 2025.

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Chief Justice Debra Todd Supreme Court of Pennsylvania