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GREETINGS:

It gives me great pleasure to join with Pennsylvania PTA and the Pennsylvania Parent Information and Resource Center in celebration of October 2011 as Parent Involvement Month.

Children are Pennsylvania's most vital and valuable resource. Parents are their children's first and most influential teachers, and all parents and families have hopes and goals they hope to see their children achieve. Parental involvement early in childhood is essential for children to enter school ready to learn and can be a determining factor in a child's academic success.

Pennsylvania recognizes the important role parents, guardians, grandparents and other family members play in children's learning and education. Our Commonwealth is dedicated to providing high quality early childhood parenting supports that engage parents in their children's early learning. Pennsylvania is also dedicated to providing the high quality education that all children deserve in an accessible, safe and welcoming environment. Together, with the assistance of community and faith-based organizations, our children can go to school prepared to face any academic and personal challenge and to become lifelong learners.

As Governor, I urge all citizens to join with me in recognizing and celebrating the importance of parents and families in their children's lives, and as full partners in their children's education. I am pleased to recognize October 2011 as Parent Involvement Month in the Commonwealth.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Corbett".

TOM CORBETT
Governor
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