



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PROCLAMATION

FINANCIAL CAPABILITY MONTH
April 2017

WHEREAS, personal financial capability is a challenging, complex endeavor to make good decisions about money that lead to financial independence; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Banking and Securities assists thousands of Pennsylvanians each year through the Consumer Financial Protection Initiative, its partnerships with the Investor Protection Trust and AARP Pennsylvania, and its leadership of a financial information exchange involving more than 20 state government agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Education and Penn State University have collaborated to improve personal finance and economic education through professional development, curriculum resources, and research; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Aging offers protective services which shield Pennsylvanians 60 and older from financial abuse and exploitation; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections is working to reduce recidivism by offering financial education to inmates about to transition out of incarceration; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry's Office of Vocational Rehabilitation offers training to help Pennsylvanians with disabilities cope with financial challenges; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency provides the Building Your House Financial program for Pennsylvania renters, homebuyers, and homeowners; and

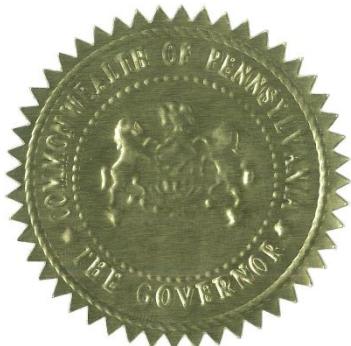
WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency provides resources on student debt awareness and college planning through its MySmartBorrowing.org website; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Treasury Department strives to ensure the lifelong financial security of all Pennsylvanians through its tax-advantaged savings programs and promotion of financial literacy; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General's Bureau of Consumer Protection investigates financial fraud and deception, and promotes consumer education;

WHEREAS, many banks will participate in "Teach Children to Save Day" on April 28 and many credit unions will participate in "National Credit Union Youth Month" this April.

THEREFORE, in special recognition of the importance of affordable, accessible, high-quality education and resources that support financial capability, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim April 2017 FINANCIAL CAPABILITY MONTH. I encourage all citizens, parents, teachers, business and community leaders, and others to seek ways to improve personal finance capabilities for themselves, as well as their loved ones, stakeholders, and customers.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor,
at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-seventh day of
March two thousand seventeen, the year of the
commonwealth the two hundred forty-first.

Tom Wolf
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Governor