

SPONSOR: Rep. Lambert on behalf of all Representatives & Sen. Poore on behalf of all Senators

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

RECOGNIZING DELAWARE SAVES WEEK 2023.

1	WHEREAS, personal and household savings are fundamental to the stability, vitality, and general wellbeing of the
2	people of Delaware; and
3	WHEREAS, financial security is one of the most important issues for most Americans whether it involves saving
4	enough for retirement, their children's college education, an unforeseen emergency, or a house; and
5	WHEREAS, nearly half of all American families- and nearly 70% of families with below-average income- do not
6	have a retirement account, according to the Federal Reserve Board's Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF); and
7	WHEREAS, 65% of African-American families and 74% of Hispanic families- do not have a retirement account;
8	and
9	WHEREAS, 39% of Americans do not have enough savings to cover a \$400 emergency; and
10	WHEREAS, 22% of Americans are unbanked or underbanked; and
11	WHEREAS, more than 147,000 employees in Delaware do not have access to an employer-sponsored retirement
12	plan, according to the Georgetown University Center for Retirement Initiatives; and
13	WHEREAS, America Saves is a national campaign that encourages, supports, and motivates Americans to
14	improve their financial stability by budgeting their money, accumulating savings, opening & contributing to retirement
15	accounts, building wealth, and reducing debt;
16	WHEREAS, the Office of the State Treasurer is a partner in the America Saves Week movement and is committed
17	to helping our state's residents, young and old, take immediate financial action to save successfully and recover from the
18	perils of the Coronavirus pandemic;
19	NOW, THEREFORE:
20	BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152 nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
21	Senate concurring therein, that the State of Delaware hereby proclaim the week of February 27th as Delaware Saves Week.
22	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly urges Delawareans to open a retirement account and/or

- 24 pay down debt, or take other steps to increase one's personal financial security during Delaware Saves Week, and pledge to
- 25 sustain that action throughout the coming year.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly commits to supporting solutions that expand access to
- 27 retirement plans and savings accounts, or that otherwise assist Delawareans with saving for retirement, higher education,
- 28 homebuying, disability-related expenses, emergencies, and other needs.

SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution recognizes the week of February 27th as Delaware Saves Week.