

Senate of Pennsylvania

HARRISBURG, PA

Congratulations

In the Senate, August 29, 2022

Thereas, The Senate of Pennsylvania takes great pride in recognizing those organizations which, through adherence to the highest standards of service, contribute in a meaningful way toward a better and more productive society; and

Whereas, The Touchstone Center for Crafts is celebrating the momentous occasion of its fiftieth anniversary; and

Thereas, Jounded in 1972 as the Pioneer Crafts Council, the Touchstone Center for Crafts is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing excellence in arts and crafts by educating and encouraging individuals to develop technical skills, good design and innovative expression. It originally focused on traditional Appalachian crafts and conducted classes in pottery, weaving, quilting and the fiber arts in the Mill Run Grange Hall. Today, the Touchstone Center for Crafts is located on a one-hundred-fifty-acre wooded campus in the Laurel Highlands and offers instruction in an array of media, including blacksmithing, ceramics, glass, fine metals, drawing and painting. With seven fully equipped studios, the center also offers workshop scholarships for teenagers and adults, artist residencies, internships for artists and gallery exhibitions. Throughout its history, the Touchstone Center for Crafts has contributed to the enrichment of countless individuals, reflecting the true nature of artistic integrity.

Proof therefore, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania congratulates the Touchstone Center for Crafts upon its richly deserved recognition; extends warmest wishes for a future replete with ever-increasing success;

And directs that a copy of this document, sponsored by Senator Pat Stefano, be transmitted to the Touchstone Center for Crafts, 1049 Wharton Furnace Road, Farmington, Pennsylvania.



Senator Jat Stefano

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Jake Corman, President Pro Tempore

Attest:

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