Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 11th Anniversary of a professional organization dedicated to improving the lives of children in Southeastern Pennsylvania with autism and other developmental disabilities.

The Institute for Behavior Change of Coatesville, Chester County was founded in 1997 by Steven Kossor, a licensed psychologist and certified school psychologist. Mr. Kossor’s vision was an Institute that would recruit and train those providing quality in-school and in-home psychological treatment and behavioral support to children.

Since the Institute’s inception, its dedicated staff has served more than 500 children throughout Philadelphia and the surrounding Chester, Delaware and Montgomery Counties.

The Institute will commemorate its 11th Anniversary during a conference at the Eden Resort in Lancaster, Pennsylvania on November 21, 2008.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in celebrating this special milestone for The Institute for Behavior Change and thanking the staff for its outstanding professionalism and commitment to helping youth with developmental disabilities fulfill their maximum potential.