
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 192 Session of
1989

INTRODUCED BY SCRIMENTI, MAINE, BOWLEY, MORRIS, DOMBROWSKI,
CAPPABIANCA, COY, JACKSON, VEON, GEIST, COHEN, KOSINSKI,
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DeLUCA, B. SMITH, LAUGHLIN, McNALLY, MELIO, RUDY, BILLOW,
JAMES, ITKIN, CIVERA, LASHINGER, PRESTON AND ANGSTADT,
SEPTEMBER 27, 1989

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, SEPTEMBER 27, 1989

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring the month of October as "Pennsylvania Grape Month."

2 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's food products are noted for their
3 bountiful flavor and nutritional qualities; and

4 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Grape exudes an aura of history and
5 romance, our nation's wine industry having its roots in this
6 Commonwealth, where the first grapes for American wine were
7 grown; and

8 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's wine industry is growing, there
9 currently being 51 commercial wineries in the Commonwealth, with
10 the Pennsylvania Grape Industry Association working hard to
11 strengthen this industry and to promote its growth; and

12 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, 80,000 tons of grapes are
13 produced annually on 14,000 acres of vineyards tended by
14 approximately 270 growers, contributing some \$100 million to
15 Pennsylvania's economy and placing our State fourth in the

1 nation in annual grape production; and

2 WHEREAS, Through the years, Pennsylvanians have devised many
3 ways to utilize the singular flavor of the grape, most of our
4 production earmarked for table use and for juices and jellies;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth is the home of the largest grape
7 juice facility in the world; and

8 WHEREAS, Our Statewide vineyards produce 18 varieties of
9 grapes, including Catawba, Concord, Delaware and Niagara; and

10 WHEREAS, It is fitting that we recognize the grape industry
11 during this month, the height of the grape harvest season;
12 therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That in recognition of the valuable contributions
14 the grape industry has made to our quality of life and economic
15 well-being, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of
16 Pennsylvania proclaim the month of October as "Pennsylvania
17 Grape Month," and encourage all citizens to honor the grape
18 industry during this period and to enjoy the many grape treats
19 abundantly available in many delicious forms throughout the
20 year.