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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the month of August 2008 as "Pennsylvania Produce 2 Month".
- 3 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's vegetable industry generates
- 4 more than \$141 million in revenues to our economy; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Approximately 3,500 farm families manage about
- 6 48,000 acres which produce more than 200,000 tons of vegetables
- 7 for fresh and processing use; and
- 8 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's vegetable growers are national
- 9 leaders in the production of pumpkins, cantaloupes, fresh market
- 10 sweet corn, and fresh market tomatoes and the processing of
- 11 sweet corn and snap beans; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania vegetables are not only "Simply
- 13 Delicious" but also "Simply Nutritious" in providing important
- 14 vitamins, fiber and other dietary components that are essential
- 15 to a healthy, balanced diet; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Health authorities have long encouraged increased

- 1 consumption of vegetables for both nutritional and disease
- 2 prevention purposes; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Fresh Pennsylvania vegetables are available in
- 4 abundant supply and peak quality at community farmers' markets,
- 5 roadside farm markets and supermarkets throughout this
- 6 Commonwealth during the month of August; and
- 7 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's vegetable industry is committed
- 8 to using integrated pest management and other good agricultural
- 9 practices to produce, in an environmentally sound manner,
- 10 vegetables and vegetable products that are both nutritious and
- 11 safe; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize August
- 13 2008 as "Pennsylvania Produce Month" and urge all citizens to
- 14 enjoy this Commonwealth's abundant supply of "Simply Delicious,
- 15 Simply Nutritious" fresh and processed vegetable products while
- 16 recognizing the industry's contributions to our economy and our
- 17 health.