
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 307 Session of
2015

INTRODUCED BY EVANKOVICH, SCHLOSSBERG, HENNESSEY, COHEN,
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REGAN, HICKERNELL, MACKENZIE, PHILLIPS-HILL, BOBACK, KLUNK,
MAJOR, GILLESPIE, A. HARRIS AND C. PARKER, MAY 4, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 4, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 12, 2015, as "Industrial Resource Center
2 Appreciation Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Manufacturing is among Pennsylvania's leading
4 industries, contributing \$77.4 billion to the gross State
5 product each year, an amount that makes this Commonwealth the
6 8th largest manufacturing state in the union; and

7 WHEREAS, Manufacturing provides a family-sustaining average
8 wage of more than \$56,000 to more than 550,000 direct employees
9 each year, thus infusing more than \$31.2 billion of employee
10 earnings into Pennsylvania's economy each year; and

11 WHEREAS, The more than 14,000 manufacturers of this
12 Commonwealth helped fuel the State economy by contributing more
13 than \$959 million of wage taxes and \$445 million of sales taxes
14 to our treasury last year; and

1 WHEREAS, The industrial resource centers were established by
2 the General Assembly under the act of June 22, 2001 (P.L.400,
3 No.31), known as the Industrial Resources Center Partnership
4 Act, to serve the manufacturing industries in this Commonwealth;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Industrial resource centers diligently provide
7 technical services and much-needed expertise to Pennsylvania's
8 small and mid-sized manufacturing community in the areas of
9 innovation, process improvement, reshoring and technology
10 acceleration; and

11 WHEREAS, Over the past 10 years, the work of our Statewide
12 industrial resource centers has made positive impacts upon and
13 has created or retained critical manufacturing jobs within more
14 than 1,300 Pennsylvania manufacturing businesses; and

15 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Commerce recently
16 verified that, over the past 10 years, Pennsylvania
17 manufacturers have realized sales impacts of more than \$7.4
18 trillion and bottom-line cost savings of more than \$626 billion
19 as direct results of industrial resource center services; and

20 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Commerce recently
21 verified that, over the past 10 years, industrial resource
22 center activities have facilitated more than \$1.5 billion in
23 manufacturer investment in Pennsylvania and positively impacted
24 more than 56,000 manufacturing jobs; and

25 WHEREAS, The industrial resource centers represent a public-
26 private partnership that looks forward to continuing to leverage
27 Federal, Commonwealth and industry resources to further advance
28 our manufacturing economy and create manufacturing jobs well
29 into the future; therefore be it

30 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 12,

1 2015, as "Industrial Resource Center Appreciation Day" in
2 Pennsylvania and urge its observance throughout this
3 Commonwealth to show appreciation for the work of industrial
4 resource centers and the importance of the industry they serve.