

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
APRIL 1, 2016

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2016 as "National Poetry Month"  
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Academy of American Poets established its  
4 observance of "National Poetry Month" in 1996; and

5 WHEREAS, As led by the Academy of American Poets, "National  
6 Poetry Month" has become the largest literary celebration in the  
7 world; and

8 WHEREAS, "National Poetry Month" highlights the extraordinary  
9 legacy and ongoing achievement of American poets; and

10 WHEREAS, "National Poetry Month" introduces Americans to the  
11 pleasures and benefits of reading poetry; and

12 WHEREAS, Poets and poetry are made public in immediate and  
13 innovative ways; and

14 WHEREAS, The importance of poetry in children's learning is  
15 reinforced; and

1       WHEREAS, Poetry has generated some of our nation's leading  
2 creative artists; and

3       WHEREAS, Poetry has inspired other artists in fields spanning  
4 music, theater, film, dance and the visual arts; and

5       WHEREAS, Language arts, including poetry, integrate the  
6 creative arts and humanities and reflect the educational,  
7 economic and social fabric of our communities; therefore be it

8       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
9 month of April 2016 as "National Poetry Month" in Pennsylvania.