

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 909 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY SNYDER, TOOHL, KOTIK, BURNS, DIAMOND, MACKENZIE, DONATUCCI, READSHAW, HENNESSEY, MALONEY, KAVULICH, FEE, P. DALEY, DIGIROLAMO, ENGLISH, ROZZI, TOEPEL, CUTLER, PEIFER, O'NEILL, REGAN, ROSS, MAJOR, LONGIETTI, MILLARD, NEUMAN, CALTAGIRONE, WARD, BAKER, A. HARRIS, VEREB, SCHLEGEL CULVER, HARHART, COX, SONNEY, DUSH, BIZZARRO, METZGAR, KAUFFMAN, V. BROWN, WHEELAND, HARHAI, GIBBONS, JOZWIAK, PICKETT, D. COSTA, CAUSER, THOMAS, MARSICO, SAYLOR, HAHN, COHEN, MAHONEY, MENTZER, OBERLANDER, WATSON, KIRKLAND AND GINGRICH, JUNE 1, 2016

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

## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of June 2016 as "Dairy Month" and "Dairy  
2 Farmers Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Dairy farming serves as a primary economic driver  
4 behind the number one industry in Pennsylvania, which is  
5 agriculture; and

6 WHEREAS, Dairy farming is a proud family tradition in this  
7 Commonwealth, where 99% of dairy farms are family owned; and

8 WHEREAS, There are 7,426 dairy herds registered with the  
9 Department of Agriculture of the Commonwealth, and approximately  
10 530,000 cows, with each cow producing approximately 2,352  
11 gallons of milk per year; and

12 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has the second-largest number of dairy  
13 farms nationally and ranks fifth nationally in total milk

1 production; and

2 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's dairy farms serve as the ideal model  
3 for sustainable rural economic development; and

4 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's many picturesque dairy farms have  
5 been a mainstay in the renowned beauty of the rural Pennsylvania  
6 landscape for centuries; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
8 month of June 2016 as "Dairy Month" and "Dairy Farmers  
9 Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania and recognize the  
10 outstanding contributions of Pennsylvania's dairy farmers to the  
11 health and the historical, cultural, environmental and economic  
12 success of this Commonwealth.