
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY WHITE AND EICHELBERGER, APRIL 20, 2015

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of April 2015 as "Community Banking Month"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, For more than 200 years, Pennsylvania's community
4 financial institutions have provided the local support that
5 Commonwealth communities need to prosper and grow; and

6 WHEREAS, Today, more than 180 community banks in this
7 Commonwealth continue the tradition of giving back to their
8 local communities through more than 1,000 banking offices; and

9 WHEREAS, With more than \$110 billion in assets, community
10 banks know that when money stays in a town it becomes a
11 renewable resource, creating an economic cycle that constantly
12 revitalizes and stimulates local communities; and

13 WHEREAS, These banks have made significant contributions to
14 the economic well-being of this Commonwealth through their
15 financial support, dedication as good neighbors and, above all,
16 service as financially sound and reliable sources of economic
17 lifeblood in our communities; and

18 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's community banks focus on the

1 prosperity of individuals and small businesses in their
2 hometowns and enjoy the trust of their customers; and

3 WHEREAS, Community banks have reinvested, on average, 95% of
4 their loan portfolios into their own communities through
5 residential mortgages and commercial and agricultural loans; and

6 WHEREAS, Community banks play a significant role in local
7 economic development efforts, stimulating the economy to produce
8 jobs and new opportunities and, as a group, contribute an
9 important and strong part of this Commonwealth's economic
10 fabric; and

11 WHEREAS, Neighbors are helping neighbors build their homes,
12 save for higher education, plan for retirement and fulfill other
13 dreams through community banks; and

14 WHEREAS, Community banks have continued their strong
15 tradition of small business lending, in spite of difficult
16 economic conditions, so that they may strengthen and support
17 this Commonwealth's economy; and

18 WHEREAS, Community banks have long helped in the development
19 of our communities and this Commonwealth as a whole, and we look
20 forward to many more contributions; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of April 2015
22 as "Community Banking Month" in Pennsylvania.