
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 156 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY SCHLEGEL CULVER, SCHLOSSBERG, DAVIS, HENNESSEY,
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KINSEY, QUIGLEY, R. BROWN, MURT, DUSH, SONNEY, MARSICO,
MILLARD, O'BRIEN, PICKETT, READSHAW, ROZZI, D. COSTA,
WHEELAND, NEILSON, WARD AND CALTAGIRONE, MARCH 17, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 17, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2017 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

16 WHEREAS, Poetry has generated some of our nation's leading

1 creative artists; and

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

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

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
8 month of April 2017 as "National Poetry Month" in Pennsylvania.