
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 873 Session of
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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 4, 2004

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of October 2004 as "Pennsylvania Preferred
2 Month."

3 WHEREAS, Agriculture is Pennsylvania's number one industry;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is home to nearly 60,000 farms, 3,400
6 food processors, more than 1,200 floriculture and nursery crop
7 producers, countless restaurants and food retailers and 12
8 million consumers; and

9 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, 93% of consumers prefer to
10 purchase and use local products; and

11 WHEREAS, Buying local food products supports Pennsylvania
12 farmers, strengthens communities and helps to sustain the

1 environment and preserve farmland; and

2 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is
3 promoting agricultural products grown, raised and processed in
4 this Commonwealth among trade and consumer audiences through the
5 Pennsylvania Preferred program; and

6 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Preferred program facilitates
7 partnerships among producers, retailers and consumers; and

8 WHEREAS, Through a Statewide marketing campaign, the
9 Pennsylvania Preferred program is raising awareness of local
10 product availability and is educating consumers on the
11 importance of purchasing local products; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives, in recognition
13 of Pennsylvania farmers and our agricultural industry, designate
14 the month of October 2004 as "Pennsylvania Preferred Month" and
15 call on the people of this Commonwealth to purchase local
16 products.