
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 281 Session of
2014

INTRODUCED BY DINNIMAN, BREWSTER, WASHINGTON, FERLO, ERICKSON,
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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, JANUARY 14, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1 Observing the month of January 2014 as "Pennsylvania Thrift
2 Month," observing the week of January 17 through 23, 2014, as
3 "National Thrift Week" and calling on individuals, families
4 and government at all levels to exercise thrift and fiscal
5 responsibility.

6 WHEREAS, Annual "National Thrift Week" observances from 1916
7 through 1966 highlighted the value of hard work and fiscal
8 discipline and the cultivation of thrift as an American ideal;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Communities nationwide first celebrated "National
11 Thrift Week" in 1916 with the opening of school savings accounts
12 for children and workplace savings programs; and

13 WHEREAS, The 1916 observance was launched on January 17, the
14 birthday anniversary of early American inventor, author,
15 printer, scientist, philanthropist, statesman and diplomat
16 Benjamin Franklin, who was recognized as the "American apostle
17 of thrift"; and

18 WHEREAS, "National Thrift Week" is no longer celebrated or
19 fully recognized; and

1 WHEREAS, The nation and many individuals and families are
2 facing difficult financial conditions today; and

3 WHEREAS, Recession, unemployment and widespread pay cuts have
4 spurred individuals and governments to reassess financial
5 practices; and

6 WHEREAS, Restoring and instilling thrift and fiscal
7 responsibility as guiding principles for individuals and
8 governments can aid our return to an era of sound financial
9 management and economic prosperity; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Senate observe the month of January 2014
11 as "Pennsylvania Thrift Month," observe the week of January 17
12 through 23, 2014, as "National Thrift Week" and call on
13 individuals, families and government at all levels to exercise
14 thrift and fiscal responsibility.