THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 444

Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY SONNEY, BOBACK, BRADFORD, BRENNAN, BRIGGS, CAUSER, D. COSTA, P. COSTA, DeWEESE, EVANKOVICH, EVERETT, FABRIZIO, FLECK, GABLER, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, HARHAI, HARHART, HARKINS, HARPER, HARRIS, HELM, HENNESSEY, HESS, HORNAMAN, M. K. KELLER, KILLION, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, LONGIETTI, MAHONEY, MAJOR, MARSHALL, MILLARD, MIRABITO, OBERLANDER, M. O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PEIFER, PICKETT, PYLE, QUINN, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROCK, ROSS, SANTONI, STERN, SWANGER, VEREB, WATSON AND YOUNGBLOOD, OCTOBER 6, 2011

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 6, 2011

A RESOLUTION

- Designating October 15, 2011, as "Pennsylvania Wine Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's 140-plus wineries have come
- 4 $\,$ together to create one of Pennsylvania's fastest-growing and
- 5 most vibrant agritourism industries; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is home to 11 unique wine trails which,
- 7 for the first time in State history, attracted more than 1
- 8 million visitors to Pennsylvania winery tasting rooms in 2010;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, The growth of this Commonwealth's wine industry
- 11 continues at a record pace, with the number of licensed wineries
- 12 in Pennsylvania increasing from 27 in 1981 to more than 140
- 13 today, helping to make Pennsylvania the 7th largest wine
- 14 producing state; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's winery owners and operators have
- 2 devoted their lives to improving their craft and, through their
- 3 hard work and dedication, have made Pennsylvania's wine industry
- 4 one of the most successful in the nation; therefore be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 6 Pennsylvania wine industry to be a vital part of this
- 7 Commonwealth's agricultural and tourism industries and hereby
- 8 designate October 15, 2011, to be "Pennsylvania Wine Day" in
- 9 Pennsylvania.