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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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MIRABITO, JULY 15, 2013

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JULY 15, 2013

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of August 2013 as "Produce Month" in  
2 Pennsylvania and recognizing the contributions of the  
3 vegetable industry of this Commonwealth to the economy and  
4 citizens of this Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's vegetable industry generates over  
6 \$148 million in revenues to the economy of this Commonwealth;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Four thousand three hundred farm families manage  
9 about 55,000 acres which produce over 300,000 tons of vegetables  
10 for fresh and processing use; and

11 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's vegetable growers are national  
12 leaders in the production of pumpkins, processing snap beans,  
13 cantaloupes, fresh market sweet corn, fresh market tomatoes and  
14 fresh market cabbage; and

15 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania vegetables are both delicious and  
16 nutritious, providing important vitamins, fiber and other

1 dietary components that are essential to a healthy balanced  
2 diet; and

3 WHEREAS, Health authorities have long encouraged increased  
4 consumption of vegetables for both nutritional and disease  
5 prevention purposes; and

6 WHEREAS, Fresh Pennsylvania vegetables are available in  
7 abundant supply and peak quality at community farmers' markets,  
8 roadside farm markets and supermarkets throughout this  
9 Commonwealth during August; and

10 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's vegetable industry is committed to  
11 using integrated pest management and other good agricultural  
12 practices to produce, in an environmentally sound manner,  
13 vegetables and vegetable products that are both nutritious and  
14 safe; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
16 month of August 2013 as "Produce Month" in Pennsylvania and  
17 recognize the contributions of the vegetable industry of this  
18 Commonwealth to the economy and citizens of this Commonwealth.