

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 897 Session of
2018

INTRODUCED BY LAWRENCE AND CUTLER, MAY 1, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 1, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 4, 2018, as "Octoraro Hotel and Tavern Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Built in 1827 and located in the center of beautiful
4 downtown Oxford, the Octoraro Hotel and Tavern has served as a
5 stopping point for generations of residents and travellers; and

6 WHEREAS, One of the oldest taverns in this Commonwealth, the
7 Octoraro Hotel and Tavern received its liquor license the day
8 after Prohibition ended in December 1933 and became one of the
9 leading public houses halfway between Philadelphia and

10 Baltimore; and

11 WHEREAS, In August 2013 under the new leadership of John
12 McGlothlin and Brannon Seaman, the Octoraro Hotel and Tavern
13 began renovations, and business began booming; and

14 WHEREAS, On November 4, 2014, a kitchen fire gutted this
15 historic building, and the Octoraro Hotel and Tavern was closed
16 for an extended period of time; and

17 WHEREAS, With the support of the local community, the
18 Octoraro Hotel and Tavern was lovingly restored, renovated and

1 rebuilt; and

2 WHEREAS, Under the ownership of John and Nickoel McGlothlin,
3 the Octoraro Hotel and Tavern continues to be a cornerstone of
4 recent revitalization efforts of downtown Oxford; and

5 WHEREAS, A hallmark of the institution over the years has
6 been a series of large, illuminated vertical signs proudly
7 proclaiming "Octoraro Hotel," but in recent years, the "H" and
8 "L" in the word "Hotel" mysteriously disappeared from the sign,
9 leading locals to coin the affectionate nickname "The OTE";
10 therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 4,
12 2018, as "Octoraro Hotel and Tavern Day" in Pennsylvania.