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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SAPPEY, PASHINSKI, HANBIDGE, SHUSTERMAN,  
LONGIETTI, BURNS, THOMAS AND MILLARD, NOVEMBER 18, 2020

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
NOVEMBER 18, 2020

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of November 2020 as "Equine Month" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, There are an estimated 223,628 horses in this  
4 Commonwealth, ranking this Commonwealth as the State with the  
5 eighth highest number of horses in the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, Approximately 793,000 acres of land in this  
7 Commonwealth are used for horse-related purposes; and

8 WHEREAS, The equine industry contributes a total of \$3.3  
9 billion to this Commonwealth's economy; and

10 WHEREAS, The horse recreation sector adds \$609 million  
11 directly to this Commonwealth's economy and supports 8,450 jobs  
12 in this Commonwealth; and

13 WHEREAS, The horse competition sector adds \$525 million  
14 directly to this Commonwealth's economy and supports 7,640 jobs  
15 in the Commonwealth; and

16 WHEREAS, The horse racing sector adds \$806 million directly  
17 to this Commonwealth's economy and supports 7,385 jobs in this

1 Commonwealth; and

2 WHEREAS, The equine industry has a total employment impact of  
3 60,133 jobs in this Commonwealth; and

4 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, 30.5% of households have at  
5 least one horse enthusiast; and

6 WHEREAS, The most popular breed of horse in this Commonwealth  
7 is the Quarter Horse, followed by the Thoroughbred and the  
8 Warmblood; and

9 WHEREAS, There are 23 equine rescues and sanctuaries in this  
10 Commonwealth; and

11 WHEREAS, There are 63 facilities in this Commonwealth that  
12 offer equine-related therapy; and

13 WHEREAS, There are four colleges and universities in this  
14 Commonwealth that offer equine-related degrees and programs; and

15 WHEREAS, In the 10 counties of the southeastern region of  
16 this Commonwealth, there are more than 50,000 horses,  
17 representing a 9.3% increase than reported five years ago; and

18 WHEREAS, The equine industry directly or indirectly accounts  
19 for nearly \$670 million of economic activity in the southeastern  
20 region of this Commonwealth; and

21 WHEREAS, The equine industry provides more than 6,550 jobs in  
22 the southeastern region of this Commonwealth; and

23 WHEREAS, Taxpayers in the southeastern region of this  
24 Commonwealth benefit from \$58 million in tax revenue generated  
25 by equine activities; therefore be it

26 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
27 month of November 2020 as "Equine Month" in Pennsylvania.