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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL SENATORS

FROM: SENATOR ELDER VOGEL JR.

DATE: June 9, 2011

RE: CO-SPONSORSHIP

I intend to introduce a resolution designating the month of August 2011 as "Pennsylvania Produce Month" in Pennsylvania.

Over 4,300 farm families manage over 50,000 acres which produce over 200,000 tons of vegetables for fresh and processing use. Pennsylvania's vegetable growers are national leaders in the production of pumpkins, snap beans, cantaloupes and fresh market sweet corn which contributes millions of dollars to our Pennsylvania economy each and every year. Not only is produce a major part of our agriculture industry, but it a major component of our citizens nutrition and health delivering important vitamins, fibers and other dietary components that are essential to a healthy balanced diet. This resolution will pay tribute and recognition to the outstanding contributions of Pennsylvania's vegetable growers to the historical, cultural, environmental and economic success of this Commonwealth.

If you would like to co-sponsor this resolution, please contact Lindsay Raker of my staff at 787-3076 or lraker@pasen.gov by Wednesday, July 22nd. Thank you for your consideration.