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20 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
21 hereby enacts as follows:

22 Section 1. Official Pennsylvania State Song Album.

23 The following songs shall comprise the Official Pennsylvania
24 State Song Album:

1 (1)

2 "Pennsylvania-Gee! It's Great!"

3 Lou Leggieri and

4 Henry and Roberta Shaffner

5 Verse 1

6 Gee! It's great!

7 Being from the State of Pennsylvania!

8 The homefolks there

9 Let you know they care in Pennsylvania.

10 They've got the spirit in Philly,

11 The home of William Penn,

12 And in the Dutch Country

13 The cooking's great--

14 and then some!

15 Verse 2

16 From town to town

17 Up and down the State of Pennsylvania,

18 For some home-brewed apple cider's

19 Really worth the trip t'ya...

20 From Susquehanna to Schuylkill

21 They're filling everyone's cup.

22 So join us all, and live it up in Pennsylvania!

23 Verse 3

24 Gee! It's great

25 Being from the State of Pennsylvania!

26 The U.S.A. was born right here in Pennsylvania,

27 The Keystone of the Nation,

28 A land where freedom glows,

29 Where songs are sung and bells are rung,

30 And every school kid knows, that...

1 Chorus

2 Gee! It's great

3 Being from the State of Pennsylvania!

4 For some home-brewed apple cider's

5 Really worth the trip t'ya...

6 From Allegheny to Altoona

7 They're filling everyone's cup.

8 So join us all, and live it up in Pennsylvania!

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(2)

"Pennsylvania"

Gertrude Martin Rohrer

Verse 1

Pennsylvania, my native state,
To you we pledge our devotion;
Pennsylvania, our loyalty
Is boundless as the ocean.

Chorus

Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania, strong and true,
Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania, hear our song to you:
There is beauty in your mountains,
There is peace upon your hills,
And where'er I roam my only home is Pennsylvania.

Verse 2

Pennsylvania, we thrill with pride
To be your loyal descendants;
Pennsylvania, all hail to you,
The foundation of independence.

Chorus

Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania, strong and true,
Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania, hear our song to you:
There is beauty in your mountains,
There is peace upon your hills,
And where'er I roam my only home is Pennsylvania.

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"The State of Independence"

Cyra G. Renwick

Verse 1

It's the land of Pennsylvania
Where the mist of early morn
Touches hills beyond the hills;
It's the land where I was born!

Verse 2

In September, in September
There's a glory on the field;
Gold and purple 'gainst the green;
In the groves soft concealed,
Stand old land-marks of the past:
Churches, taverns, fences, walls,
And I wonder as I walk,
At the cliffs and water falls.

Verse 3

It's the State of Pennsylvania
Where the Capitol did lay
In historic Philadelphia
By the Delaware Bay!
It's the State of Independence
Where the great ideals of Penn
Made it possible to have
A new land of free men.

Verse 4

In the Tower of London held
For high treason to the Crown,
Cleared of guilt, he did return

1 To his dear, old Quaker Town.

2 Chorus

3 O, it's great, great, great, it's Pennsylvania!

4 It's the Keystone of our dreams---

5 Where our children play

6 In the same, old way,

7 In their games of make believe!

8 It's beautiful! It's Pennsylvania!

9 Where Penn granted liberty---

10 To build a-right, with free-dom's might,

11 That the world we our gifts might give!

12 Our gifts might give!

1 (4)

2 "My Pennsylvania"

3 Ann H. Leyland

4 Verse 1

5 My Pennsylvania,

6 Your grandfathers tamed you,

7 Your country proclaims you

8 Its Keystone, its pride.

9 Verse 2

10 Oh! the miners that tore you,

11 The tribes that swept o'er you,

12 The men who fought for you

13 The world to defy!

14 Verse 3

15 Oh! how tall are your mountains!

16 How green are your meadows!

17 How swift are the rivers

18 That carry me home to --

19 Chorus

20 My Pennsylvania,

21 How loudly I praise you!

22 How proudly embrace you!

23 My home and my pride!

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"You've Got a Friend in Pennsylvania"

Collett Silvestri

Verse 1

You've got a friend in Pennsylvania,
It's one of those states you can call your own.
No matter how far that you choose to travel,
You'll find your way back to the old Keystone.
We were here at the start and most likely the finish,
We're here for the whole wide world to see.
From the way back woods to the rising cities,
Right into the pages of history!

Chorus

You've got a friend in Pennsylvania,
You can depend, we're one you can depend.
Not far away in Pennsylvania,
You're never alone cause you've got a friend.

Verse 2

It was from our hills that was born a country,
And to this land we gave our best.
For it was here that they wrote the Constitution,
It was here that they found the gate to the West.
The times may change, but not our spirit,
To forge ahead is still our way.
For the faith that we have is not just history,
It's the American dream that lives today!

(Chorus)

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"Pennsylvania"

J. Francis Weber

Verse 1

Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,
Land where Liberty was born;
Pennsylvania, Keystone State,
Where the bands of
Tyranny were shorn.
Valley Forge and Brandywine,
Live in memory.
Battle fields of freedom,
Sacred soil of liberty.

Verse 2

Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,
Histories pages often tell:
How our boys on battle fields
For the cause of freedom fought and fell.
Gettysburg decided
Our Nation's unity,
Terminating in our land,
The curse of slavery.

Chorus

Pennsylvania! Pennsylvania! You're the land that I adore,
I love your valleys and hills, I always will,
You're the one great state that I am always for,
Pennsylvania! Pennsylvania! And no matter where I roam,
You will always be Home Sweet Home to me,
Pennsylvania! my home.

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(7)

"Pennsylvania"

Mary E. H. Stark

Verse 1

Hail to you dear State we love,
Duly blessed by Him above;
Crystal lakes and rivers flow,
Penn's homeland of long ago.

Verse 2

Patriots through war and toil
Laid the keystone to your soil;
Shrine of heroes, now and then,
Proclaimed afar by word and pen.

Verse 3

Ruffed grouse fly and whitetail roam,
The hemlock forests are their home;
Brook trout swim the mountain streams,
Fireflies cast their mystic beams.

Verse 4

On your plain the laurel grow,
First your liberty to know;
Independence, virtue, too,
Eternal in your banner blue.

Chorus

Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,
The pride of pioneers;
Their legacy, a country free,
Endures on through the years.

1 (8)

2 "Pennsylvania"

3 J. W. Yoder

4 Verse 1

5 Pennsylvania forever,
6 Wonderful Keystone State;
7 Beautiful, rugged glorious,
8 Fashioned sublime and great.
9 Verdure-clad hills and mountains,
10 Rich with abundant store;
11 Tower in grandeur silent,
12 Battlements evermore.

13 Chorus

14 Pennsylvania, native land,
15 Pennsylvania dear and grand;
16 Endless praise we give to thee,
17 Service, valor and loyalty;
18 Hail all hail to the flag and Pennsylvania.

19 Verse 2

20 Freedom kneels at thy altars,
21 Peace is thy cornerstone;
22 Liberty guards thy ramparts,
23 Learning and culture thy throne.
24 Valley Forge bled for the nation,
25 Gettysburg rescued the slave;
26 Brotherly love the slogan,
27 Rousing the strong and brave.

28 Verse 3

29 Valleys, meadows and hillsides,
30 Waving with ripening grain;

1 Feed all the happy millions,
2 Toiling with hand or with brain.
3 Factories, mills and railroads,
4 Daily their anthem raise;
5 Crowning our land with plenty,
6 Filling our hearts with praise.

7 Verse 4

8 Thou who rulest the nations,
9 Author of liberty;
10 Keep up in sacred nearness,
11 Honor and unity;
12 Fill thou our store with abundance,
13 Guard us from famine and foe;
14 Wisdom and mercy and justice,
15 On all our rulers bestow.

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"A Man Can Be Proud"

Margarite Romagna

Verse 1

From the Allegheny Mountains
Down to Philadelphy,
There's a glory and a beauty
In Pennsylvania you can see.
In the forests and the pastures
And the rivers rushing by,
The greenness of the mountains,
The blueness of her sky.

Chorus

From the strength of her steel mills
To her gentle growing corn,
A man can be proud
Who is Pennsylvania born.

Verse 2

Men have hunted in her forests,
Fished her flowing streams.
Men have lived their lives in fullness,
Fulfilling all their dreams.
Brave battles fought at Valley Forge
Helped freedom ring a bell,
And battles fought at Gettysburg
Equality would tell.

Verse 3

Pennsylvania builds ships
To sail the seven seas,
Grows food across her land

1 The nations to please.
2 And I can say I'm proud,
3 I'm Pennsylvania born,
4 An I'll awake to see her sunrise
5 When I arise tomorrow morn.

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"Pennsylvania"

Ethel Lodge

Chorus

There's no state like Pennsylvania,
The State I call my own.
It's mountains towering to the heavenly blue,
Crystal lakes and valleys beckon you,
Stalwart cities working day and night,
Fertile farmlands never cease to delight.
It's friendly folk you'll like to know,
Who will welcome you where'er you roam.
Pennsylvania, Keystone State,
You'll always be my home.

Verse

Of the fifty states that make up our great Nation,
There's one which leads the list with warmth and fame.
The State that welcomes all as brothers,
The Keystone State and we all know its name.

Chorus

There's no state like Pennsylvania,
The State I call my own.
It's mountains towering to heavenly blue,
Crystal lakes and valleys beckon you,
Stalwart cities working day and night,
Fertile farmlands never cease to delight.
It's friendly folk you'll like to know,
Who will welcome you where'er you roam.
Pennsylvania, Keystone State,
You'll always be my home.

1 (11)

2 "Pennsylvania"

3 Mary Albert Attick

4 Verse 1

5 Pennsylvania you're the greatest state of all,

6 With your rivers and your mountains

7 That loom so grand and tall.

8 Upon your hills and valleys

9 Your thriving cities stand,

10 Your loyal sons and daughters

11 Are the proudest in the land.

12 Verse 2

13 Pennsylvania, beloved native state,

14 Your heritage is freedom,

15 Your ancestry is great.

16 In your bosom you have nurtured

17 Courage, strength, and loyalty.

18 In your hands you held the cradle

19 Of your country's liberty!

20 Verse 3

21 Pennsylvania, upon your beauteous land,

22 The Great Creator lifted

23 His strong and kindly hand.

24 He has given hidden treasures

25 Of beauty yet untold,

26 Your gifts from Him are many

27 Countless wonders to behold!

1 (12)

2 "We Are the People"

3 David L. Clark

4 Verse 1

5 You have blessed us with mountains and valleys,
6 to reveal to us your majesty and power.

7 You can see, Oh God, we expect you
8 to give us a helping hand.

9 You have favored us with the Mountain Laurel flower,
10 and we are so grateful.

11 You can see, Oh God, we depend on you
12 to provide our daily need.

13 Chorus

14 We are the people who need a helping hand.

15 We are the family who need your strength to stand.

16 We are the children who need a helping hand.

17 As life goes on we must try to get along.

18 You can see, Oh God, that we have a need.

19 We are the people, we are the people, oh yes.

20 We need a helping hand, someone to understand today.

21 Verse 2

22 You have appointed us with the Hemlock tree
23 and we are so thankful.

24 You can see, Oh God, we believe
25 you will guide us in all our ways.

26 You have granted us with the Ruffed Grouse bird
27 and we are so delighted.

28 You can see, Oh God, without your help
29 we limit ourselves.

30 (Chorus)

1 Verse 3

2 You have destined us with virtue and liberty,

3 and we are so appreciative.

4 You can see, Oh God, that our hope and trust

5 is forever in Thee.

6 You have freshened our lakes and rivers

7 with the Brook Trout fish, and we are so obliged.

8 You can see, Oh god, we are gratified

9 by the resources that come from Thee.

10 (Chorus)

11 Verse 4

12 You have beautified our forests and parks

13 with the Whitetail Deer, and we are so beholden.

14 You can see, Oh God, we regard our animal life

15 in respect to Thee.

16 You have enlightened our night season

17 with the Firefly insect and we are so excited.

18 You can see, Oh God, we accept Thy Word

19 as a lamp unto our feet and light to our pathway.

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"Dear Old Pennsylvania"

Emory A. Gobrecht

Verse 1

My dear old Pa., The Keystone State
they say,
For we love the fields and woods along the
way,
The mountains and hills - the smell of new
mown hay,
You're dear to my heart Penn-syl-van-ia.

Verse 2

The parks and the lakes, the towns
and cities too,
The schools and the church you'll find that
this is true,
It is so much more than we can do or say,
You're dear to my heart, Penn-syl-van-ia.

1 (14)

2 "Pennsylvania"

3 Ken Mease

4 Verse 1

5 Where do green hills seem to touch the sky

6 And the mountain streams flow clear?

7 Where do fish abound and warblers sound

8 Their songs to white tail deer?

9 In the heart of me, it's part of me,

10 Wherever I may roam:

11 Pennsylvania!

12 Pennsylvania, my home.

13 Verse 2

14 Where do ribbon'd city highways lead

15 To a flow'ring country lane?

16 Where does autumn paint her flaming leaves

17 Near fields of golden grain?

18 Where did freedom's bell ring out to tell

19 The world that we are free?

20 In Pennsylvania!

21 Pennsylvania is home to me.

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"How We Love You Pennsylvania"

Adele Huber

Verse 1

Grass is greener in the State of Pennsylvania,
Sky is bluer than the bluest ever seen.
And the vistas from the mountain tops to seashore,
Are the fairest of all places you have been.

Verse 2

Hearts are truer in the State of Pennsylvania,
With our true love and our families right here.
And the friends we have around us in our home town,
Make our lives a joy, with all that are so dear.

Verse 3

Our great nation's birth was here in Pennsylvania,
Where our freedom was proclaimed so loud and clear.
And forever we will keep that memory living,
In our hearts and in our lives from year to year.

Chorus

How we love you Pennsylvania,
And we know that you are strong.
We will stay right here beside you,
As you grow we'll go along.

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"The Keystone State"

Ronald Renshaw,
Coleen Bidelspach
and Guy Graybill

Verse 1

We traveled through the Keystone State,
To see if all the praise was true.
They didn't tell the half, my friend,
Now, let me pass some on to you.
We walked on Philadelphia's streets,
Where Franklin's fame was realized;
We stood where liberty was born,
And democratic law devised.

Chorus

The Keystone State! The Keystone State!
What makes this Commonwealth so great?
Why Nature's treasure, so immense,
Plus wisdom and good sense, my friend;
Yes, wisdom and good sense!

Verse 2

We hiked on Allegheny Trails,
And poled a raft through Pine Creek Gorge.
We saw where suffering heroes camped,
Within a valley, near the forge.
We stood where several forts once stood;
The place Ohio starts to flow.
We swam where Perry launched his fleet,
To overcome an early foe!

1 Verse 3

2 We camped where Blue and Gray once fought,
3 By Big Round Top and Devil's Den;
4 And saw the field where Lincoln spoke,
5 To help restore one land again!
6 The State's great hub of Harrisburg,
7 Can claim that its among the best;
8 Just as the Poconos can boast,
9 Twin cities to the south and west.

10 Verse 4

11 You'd love the State's variety,
12 With fact'ries, farms and wooded hills.
13 God's handiwork is everywhere;
14 A special reverence it instills.
15 Someday we'll meet in that fair State,
16 Where beauty lingers without end.
17 Why hold a Keystone rendezvous?
18 I didn't tell the half, my friend!

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"You've Got a Friend in Pennsylvania"

Helene Del-Hamburg

Verse 1

You've got a friend in Pennsylvania,
You've got a friend no matter where you roam;
And anytime you're here, your friends are always near,
They'll take your hat, and make you feel at home;
We've got just everything, summer, fall, winter, spring;
We'll always welcome you, just like our own.
Remember that you've got a friend in Pennsylvania,
Cause Pennsylvanians always make you feel at home.

Verse 2

You've got a friend in Pennsylvania,
You've got a friend who wants to shake your hand;
You're gonna love this State, the scenery's really great,
The food is all first rate; we're proud and grand,
We want so much to share, a smile when you're here;
We know you'll rave and cheer about this land.
Remember that you've got a friend in Pennsylvania,
And we'll be waiting for you with a big brass band.

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"Pennsylvania State Song"

August R. Eisert and
Jerome Hahn

Verse 1

God smiled on Pennsylvania,
The Commonwealth of brotherhood and liberty.
It's blessed with everything for man to do,
To mine, to mill, to sew and to reap.
It's called:
The Keystone State.
The one and only Keystone State.

Verse 2

With its hemlocked hills, that beautify the land,
You'll find mountain laurel lending beauty to your soul.
While the ruffed grouse wanders idly in the grass,
White tail deer are foraging for food to thrive
Within our forest glen it will survive.

Chorus

Keystone State, the home of our Country's flag
That stands for brotherhood and liberty.
Keystone State, the home of our Country's flag
That stands for brotherhood and liberty.

1 (19)

2 "Summer Days and Nights"

3 Jens Rudat

4 Verse 1

5 I've grown fond of these hot summer days,
6 Trying to find the cool, cool shade and now
7 I'm thinking that they might go away.
8 What would we have, just the rain?

9 Chorus

10 Love you, Pennsylvania,
11 Your summer days and nights are long,
12 Love you, Pennsylvania,
13 Your mountains and corn fields are home.

14 Verse 2

15 Curves and winding roads, they never seem to end,
16 Every time I look at you, I find a brand new friend.
17 You know I might travel far, but I won't come to an end,
18 Your country voice it keeps on calling to the wind.

19 Verse 3

20 I might sit back and just look at you awhile,
21 Still keeping up with all the latest going by.
22 Some may have loved you but the feeling's not the same,
23 What would you be without your sunshine and your rain?

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"Pennsylvania"

Ray Owen

Verse 1

There's a rising sun perched across the hills,
Sitting here behind the wheel,
Eastbound on my way back home again.
Traveling the last leg,
This time I'm home to stay
Where I can kick back and relax with some old friends.
It's been quite awhile since
I've seen the home folks smile,
'Cause I've been so long out on the road.
Across the Pennsylvania line,
Through the laurel countryside
When I see the Susquehanna, I know I'm almost home.

Chorus

Back to those old rolling hills of Pennsylvania,
The only place I've ever called my home,
Back to those green flowing hills,
The mountains and the mills,
She'll be a part of me as far as I go.

Verse 2

The things that truly last
When men and times have passed,
They are all in Pennsylvania this morning.
And all the stories I've been told
Just seem to unfold:
The old Erie Canal and 'bout the railroad being born.
Traveling down her roads

1 That once carried wagon loads
2 Of people that dreamed dreams we all have known.
3 She's just a piece of land,
4 And some people I understand,
5 Guess that's just another way of saying home.

1 (21)

2 "Pennsylvania, My Home State"

3 Fred Waring

4 Verse 1

5 Take me straight to Pennsylvania,

6 My home State.

7 Don't ever make me late for Pennsylvania,

8 My home State.

9 When William Penn created Pennsylvania,

10 He made her great, great, great.

11 Verse 2

12 I love the goodness and the beauty

13 Of her people,

14 The scenic splendor that abounds from

15 East to West.

16 Inspiring views from valley, village,

17 Church and steeple,

18 Her fertile fields and laureled hills

19 They're all the best.

20 That's why I lost my heart to Pennsylvania.

21 Chorus

22 My home State, Pennsylvania,

23 My home State.

24 My home State, Pennsylvania,

25 My home State.

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"Pennsylvania"

James E. Myers and
Edward Gallagher

Verse

Why do I love you Pennsylvania?
Why do you charm me so?
There are a thousand reasons,
And each season the reasons grow.

Chorus

You are lovely, you have class,
You are elegant, with a dash of brass.
You have a style like nobody's style,
You can take a grin and just turn it into
a great big smile.
You are charming, you have grace,
That is evident when you're face to face.
You have a flair like nobody's flair,
You can make me feel like I got the zeal
of a millionaire.
You are that moment when you suddenly find,
You're walking with, you're talking with
a one of a kind.
You're enchanting, you have taste,
A sparkling diamond in a world of paste.
You got it all now, you showed them all how
great dreams can come true,
Pennsylvania,
I'm in love with you.

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"Keystone of America"

Carl W. Hausman

Verse 1

The spirit of our people rings the bell for
freedom's work.
From the winter cold at Valley Forge to the heat
at Gettysburg.
An empire of industry and built from honest toil,
Pittsburgh steel, northeast coal, Allegheny's oil.
A treasure house of culture in this Commonwealth of ours,
Lake Erie to the Delaware to the Mason Dixon Line
The grass is always greener,
It was right here all the time.

Chorus

Oh Keystone of America, my Home.
I love you Pennsylvania,
And I'm where I want to be,
In the cradle of your rolling hills
In sweet serenity.
Your graciousness and splendor will be forever known,
My Pennsylvania home.

Verse 2

The home birthplace of the nation and the shrines
of history,
Remind us of the great men who formed our society.
The Pennsylvania Dutch and their old world country charm,
Picture story Hex signs on big red painted barns,
Poconos for honeymoons and sportsman's paradise--
Mighty forests, sparkling streams and folks who treat

1 you right,

2 With virtue and liberty and independence known.

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"Hymn to Pennsylvania"

Jim Shoup

Verse 1

There's a place I'm dreaming of
It's a land I dearly love,
It's as close to heav'n on earth as you will find.
Where the sylvan beauty lies,
Underneath its azure skies
PENNSYLVANIA is a "peace" of mind.
For its mountain greenery,
And its rippling bubbling streams,
And the lakes that nature carved throughout the land.
For its rivers flowing wide
Through the graceful countryside,
PENNSYLVANIA is a State that's grand.
PENNSYLVANIA, PENNSYLVANIA,
It's the greatest of the forty-eight plus two;
If you're looking for the best
Then forget about the rest,
PENNSYLVANIA is the State for you!

Verse 2

You can roam the hills and dales
And the wildlife mountain trails,
You can travel on its highways long and broad;
You can sit beside a stream
And enjoy a quiet dream,
Or contemplate these gifts that came from God.
For it must have been His hand
That could fashion such a land,

1 And then emplace it here on earth for you and me;
2 I don't know another place
3 Where I'd rather show my face,
4 PENNSYLVANIA is the place to be.
5 PENNSYLVANIA, PENNSYLVANIA,
6 PENNSYLVANIA is the Keystone tried and true!
7 If you're looking for the best
8 Then forget about the rest,
9 PENNSYLVANIA is the State for you!

10 Chorus

11 PENNSYLVANIA, PENNSYLVANIA,
12 I get homesick when I'm far away from you;
13 When I'm trav'ling it's a fact
14 I can't wait till I get back
15 To PENNSYLVANIA where my heart is true.
16 PENNSYLVANIA I'm in love with you!

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"Pennsylvania Is My Home"

Renie DeMaria

Verse 1

Just a few days ago, my mind grew weary,
And I needed a change of scene.
I heard a voice calling me southward
To a place that I had never been.
Tuscarora casts her shadow
On sleepy heads around her feet.
Through my mirror I see the sun is sinking;
Another day, another town we will meet.
When I leave, you know I'll be returning,
Pennsylvania is my home.
Here's the place my welcome fire's burning,
No matter how far I must roam.

Verse 2

As my wheels roll down this lonesome highway,
So do the tears roll down my face.
Lord, I love to watch Your palm trees swayin',
But the mountains they cannot replace.
When I leave, you know I'll be returning,
Pennsylvania is my home.
Here's the place my welcome fire's burning,
No matter how far I must roam.

Verse 3

Had my fill of all this sunshine,
And dust the sand from off my shoes.
And if I hurry, I can catch the sunrise,
And be home to read the morning news.

1 When I leave, you know I'll be returning,
2 Pennsylvania is my home.
3 Here's the place my welcome fire's burning,
4 No matter how far I must roam.

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2 "Hats off to Pennsylvania"

3 John and Beatrice Koch

4 Verse 1

5 Hats off to Pennsylvania,
6 Hats off to our great State.
7 We're proud to entertain ya,
8 In Pennsylvania, the "Keystone State."
9 Hats off to all the people
10 Who helped to make her great.
11 They signed the Declaration of Independence
12 To guide us straight.

13 Chorus

14 We'll shake your hand in welcome
15 To view our paradise.
16 We're proud of Pennsylvania,
17 We'll sing her praises high, high, high.
18 Hats off to Pennsylvania,
19 Hats off to our great State.
20 We're proud to entertain ya,
21 In Pennsylvania, the "Keystone State."

22 Verse 2

23 We'll not forget our namesake,
24 The name of William Penn.
25 In him we found a leader,
26 He was a Quaker and worthwhile friend.
27 To Harrisburg we'll guide you,
28 On diplomatic tour.
29 With graciousness we'll dine you,
30 We're pleased to greet you, you may be sure.

1 Verse 3

2 There's magic in those mountains,
3 There's beauty everywhere.
4 Our Pennsylvania sunsets,
5 We'd be delighted with you to share.
6 My roots in Pennsylvania,
7 Are urging me to stay.
8 But still with all this splendor,
9 I've never wanted to go away.

1 Section 2. Within 60 days of the effective date of this act,
2 the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission shall begin to
3 collect and record the songs set forth in section 1 into musical
4 album form in the order set forth.

5 Section 3. The Department of General Services, in
6 conjunction with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum
7 Commission, shall prepare sufficient copies for distribution of
8 the Official State Song Album.

9 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.