## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 302

Session of 2003

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 3, 2003

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing June 2003 as "Dairy Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 2 WHEREAS, The dairy industry is the leading agricultural
- 3 industry in Pennsylvania accounting for over 42% of all income
- 4 derived from agriculture and generating over \$1.7 billion in
- 5 revenues to the economy of this Commonwealth; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Over \$40 million in dairy products are exported from
- 7 Pennsylvania annually; and
- 8 WHEREAS, There are nearly 10,000 dairy farms in Pennsylvania
- 9 and over 50,000 residents employed in the dairy industry; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania currently ranks fourth nationally in

- 1 milk production, fourth in frozen dairy manufacturing, fourth in
- 2 butter manufacturing and fifth in cheese manufacturing; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Milk is Pennsylvania's official beverage, and dairy
- 4 farmers produce over 11.1 billion pounds of milk annually,
- 5 nearly 7% of the total milk production in the United States; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Despite uncooperative weather patterns which affect
- 7 the quality of feed and the condition of cattle, dairy farm
- 8 families continue to produce and promote quality products for
- 9 the nutritional enjoyment of consumers; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's dairy industry is a delightful source
- 11 of pride for citizens across this Commonwealth and the nation
- 12 who have the opportunity to view the picturesque farms and savor
- 13 the food products; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Pennsylvanians have celebrated the accomplishments
- 15 of the dairy industry during the month of June for over 60
- 16 years; therefore be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the
- 18 accomplishments of dairy farm families and the dairy industry
- 19 and recognize June 2003 as "Dairy Month" in Pennsylvania; and be
- 20 it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives call upon the
- 22 people of this Commonwealth to celebrate "Dairy Month" and to
- 23 salute dairy farm families and the dairy industry for their
- 24 contributions to Pennsylvania agriculture and for their
- 25 dedication to quality.