

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 249 Session of
2015

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APRIL 14, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 14, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating April 25, 2015, as "Local Craft Beer Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has played an important role in
4 the history of the American beer industry and is home to the
5 oldest operating brewery in the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, The United States craft beer industry increased 18%
7 by volume and 20% by dollar share in 2013; and

8 WHEREAS, Nationally, the craft beer market represents \$14.3
9 billion of the \$100 billion beer market; and

10 WHEREAS, By the end of 2014, breweries were opening
11 throughout the United States at a rate of 1.5 per day and more
12 than 2,000 breweries were in the planning stage; and

13 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth plays an important role in these
14 statistics, ranking second in the country in annual craft beer

1 production; and

2 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth is home to more than 108 craft
3 breweries which have an economic impact of nearly \$2 billion
4 annually; and

5 WHEREAS, April 25, 2015, marks the 5th annual celebration of
6 PA Flavor, an event that brings together Pennsylvania craft
7 breweries, restaurants and food producers so that attendees may
8 sample some of this Commonwealth's finest food and craft beer
9 products; and

10 WHEREAS, PA Flavor also marks the kickoff of "Harrisburg Beer
11 Week," which runs from April 24 through May 2; and

12 WHEREAS, Both events celebrate Pennsylvania-produced craft
13 beers, locally sourced products and the economic impact the
14 craft beer industry has on the surrounding community; therefore
15 be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate April
17 25, 2015, as "Local Craft Beer Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage
20 residents of this Commonwealth to celebrate "Local Craft Beer
21 Day" by responsibly partaking in Pennsylvania craft beers,
22 sampling new products and gaining awareness of the locally
23 sourced food and beverage products produced by fellow
24 Pennsylvania residents.