

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 830 Session of 2015

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 29, 2016

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of May 1 through 8, 2016, as "National  
2 Music Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Music is the universal language of the world,  
4 inspiring millions of people around the globe in a multitude of  
5 positive ways; and

6 WHEREAS, Sponsored annually by the National Federation of  
7 Music Clubs (NFMC), "National Music Week" serves to enhance our  
8 understanding and appreciation of the value of music in the  
9 home, the community, the nation and the world; and

10 WHEREAS, The week of May 1 through 8, 2016, will signal the  
11 93rd annual observance of "National Music Week"; and

12 WHEREAS, This year's theme is "Music...Notes to the Future,"  
13 which emphasizes NFMC President Michael Edwards' theme for his  
14 presidency, "Keeping the Music Alive for the Future"; and

1       WHEREAS, Music can bring joy to each person's life,  
2 refreshing and soothing our minds and giving lofty inspiration  
3 to our souls; and

4       WHEREAS, Listening to music is one of the most popular forms  
5 of entertainment and is enjoyed by individuals and groups from  
6 virtually all walks of life; and

7       WHEREAS, Music is an integral part of the American cultural  
8 experience and is ubiquitous in our everyday lives; and

9       WHEREAS, Music stimulates the imagination, is often thought  
10 provoking, can generate a wide range of emotions and may evoke  
11 fond memories; and

12       WHEREAS, The study of music enhances learning, and composing  
13 and performing music provides a rich, rewarding experience for  
14 people of all ages; and

15       WHEREAS, Music distinguishes generations of people from one  
16 another and, at the same time, can uniquely establish a common  
17 bond between different generations; and

18       WHEREAS, Music is an important form of art that can reflect  
19 the history and culture of a region, state or country; and

20       WHEREAS, Music is a key element of most artistic  
21 performances, including dance, theater and film; and

22       WHEREAS, Music can be spiritual in nature, and virtually all  
23 religions utilize music in their expression of spiritual life;  
24 and

25       WHEREAS, Music has vast potential to inspire peace, harmony  
26 and understanding among disparate peoples, and to penetrate and  
27 tear down walls of intolerance, hatred and injustice around the  
28 world; and

29       WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has a rich history and tradition  
30 of musical involvement and enjoyment in the lives of its

1 residents; therefore be it

2       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
3 week of May 1 through 8, 2016, as "National Music Week" in  
4 Pennsylvania and join with the residents of this Commonwealth in  
5 celebrating the joys and wonders of music in all of its many  
6 forms; and be it further

7       RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
8 Ms. Barbara Murray, President, Pennsylvania Federation of Music  
9 Clubs, P.O. Box 84, Dushore, PA 18614-0084.