## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1003 Session of 2015

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing September 22, 2016, as "National Teach Ag Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Two hundred twenty-five agricultural educators teach
- 4 in nearly 175 public middle schools, high schools and post-
- 5 secondary programs in Pennsylvania; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Approximately 1 million students receive
- 7 agricultural education in United States public schools; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Approximately 8,000 of these students are members of
- 9 the Pennsylvania Future Farmers of America (FFA) Organization;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, There is a nationwide teacher shortage in
- 12 agricultural education and many agricultural education programs
- 13 suffer from the lack of qualified teachers; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Association of Agricultural
- 15 Educators, on behalf of the National Council for Agricultural

- 1 Education is organizing "National Teach Ag Day" on September 22,
- 2 2016, as one component of the National Teach Ag Campaign; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The goal of "National Teach Ag Day" is to have every
- 4 agricultural educator in America teach a lesson to encourage
- 5 their students to consider a career in agricultural education;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, Agricultural educators contribute to a strong and
- 8 effective education in public schools; and
- 9 WHEREAS, A student's growth and future are positively
- 10 impacted by the dedication and quality teaching of agricultural
- 11 educators; and
- 12 WHEREAS, September 22, 2016, is being observed across the
- 13 United States as "National Teach Ag Day"; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
- 15 September 22, 2016, as "National Teach Ag Day" in Pennsylvania.