
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 118 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY SCHWEYER, BAKER, RYAN, DRISCOLL, McNEILL, DEAN,
KINSEY, BIZZARRO, FREEMAN, MURT, LONGIETTI, SCHLOSSBERG,
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STAATS, O'BRIEN, CALTAGIRONE, A. HARRIS, MILLARD, DiGIROLAMO,
V. BROWN, WARREN, MATZIE AND D. COSTA, MARCH 6, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 6, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2017 as "Alcohol Awareness Month"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Responsible consumption of alcohol by adults 21
4 years of age or older and a zero-tolerance stance for alcohol
5 use by underage youths is vital to maintaining a healthy and
6 responsible citizenry; and

7 WHEREAS, Alcohol use by young people is dangerous due to the
8 risks associated with acute impairment and the threat to long-
9 term development and well-being; and

10 WHEREAS, It is illegal to serve alcohol to a minor or a
11 visibly intoxicated patron at any retail operation or
12 establishment licensed to sell alcoholic beverages; and

13 WHEREAS, Anyone found guilty of providing alcohol to minors
14 or to visibly intoxicated patrons faces various penalties,
15 including an immediate suspension or revocation of the liquor
16 license or a fine of no less than \$1,000 and no more than

1 \$5,000; and

2 WHEREAS, Adults in this Commonwealth have the authority and
3 responsibility to provide minors with alternative opportunities
4 by creating alcohol-free activities; and

5 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania beer industry and its beer
6 wholesale distributors promote responsible drinking by providing
7 the public and their retail accounts with education and
8 responsibility measures to ensure that no underage youth has
9 access to beer products; and

10 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth encourages residents to refuse to
11 provide alcoholic beverages to underage youths and to take the
12 necessary steps to discourage the illegal and unhealthy practice
13 of underage drinking, including reporting illegal drinking to
14 local police; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
16 month of April 2017 as "Alcohol Awareness Month" in
17 Pennsylvania; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives discourage the
19 use of alcohol by minors under the legal age of consumption and
20 exhort all residents of this Commonwealth to refuse to provide
21 alcoholic beverages to underage youths and to take the necessary
22 steps to discourage this illegal and unhealthy activity.