
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1135 Session of
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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 9, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of November 2018 as "National Dog Show
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Kennel Club of Philadelphia's two benched, all-
4 breed dog shows are held on Saturday, November 17 and Sunday,
5 November 18, 2018, at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center in
6 Oaks; and

7 WHEREAS, The shows, sanctioned by the American Kennel Club,
8 help raise money for a variety of canine-related causes; and

9 WHEREAS, The University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary
10 Medicine has been a prior beneficiary of the Kennel Club of
11 Philadelphia; and

12 WHEREAS, Saturday's event is The National Dog Show Presented
13 by Purina which will, for the 17th year in a row, be broadcast
14 nationwide on Thanksgiving Day by NBC; and

15 WHEREAS, Sunday's event offers enhanced athletic dog
16 exhibitions plus family-friendly activities and hands-on fun;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, It is estimated that more than 25 million people
3 watch the Thanksgiving Day special each year; and

4 WHEREAS, It is the largest dog show in Pennsylvania and one
5 of the five largest in America; and

6 WHEREAS, Since hosting a major dog event in 1876 at the
7 Centennial Exposition, Philadelphia has been at the forefront of
8 the purebred dog world; and

9 WHEREAS, Unlike the more common "show and go" format, benched
10 shows require exhibitors to remain in the building for the day,
11 allowing the public to meet and greet the canines; and

12 WHEREAS, Now almost a lost tradition, only six benched shows
13 remain nationwide; and

14 WHEREAS, The Kennel Club of Philadelphia promotes the
15 National Dog Show Therapy Dog Ambassador Team, advancing the use
16 of trained and certified canines to provide comfort and
17 companionship to persons who are aged or infirm; and

18 WHEREAS, The National Dog Show Charity Walk kicks off
19 National Dog Show Month on October 14, 2018, at Wilson Farm Park
20 in Wayne, Chester County; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
22 month of November 2018 as "National Dog Show Month" in
23 Pennsylvania.