
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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OCTOBER 16, 2020

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 16, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of October 2020 as "Wine, Wineries and
2 Grapes Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania growers produce many of the finest food
4 products available worldwide; and

5 WHEREAS, Today, the growth of Pennsylvania grapes occurs
6 thanks to the tireless efforts of generations of Pennsylvanians
7 who played instrumental roles in the founding of this nation's
8 great wine industry; and

9 WHEREAS, The nation's first commercial grapevine nursery
10 operated in Montgomery County in southeastern Pennsylvania; and

11 WHEREAS, With more than 290 wineries in this Commonwealth,
12 Pennsylvania ranks tenth in the nation for the number of
13 wineries and fifth for the amount of wine produced; and

14 WHEREAS, Our wineries, grapes and grape juice provide an
15 annual \$1.5 billion economic impact to this Commonwealth; and

16 WHEREAS, Since 2010, Commonwealth wineries boasted more than

1 100 award-winning entries in several national and international
2 wine competitions; and

3 WHEREAS, In light of the many successes, the Pennsylvania
4 Winery Association is proud to celebrate the industry during
5 October's "Pennsylvania Wine Month"; and

6 WHEREAS, This October, wine lovers can revel in the year's
7 bountiful harvest as many of the wineries and trails throughout
8 this Commonwealth are offering harvest events and celebrations;
9 therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
11 month of October 2020 as "Wine, Wineries and Grapes Month" in
12 Pennsylvania; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
14 significant and invaluable contributions made by the grape
15 industry and the wine industry to this Commonwealth's history,
16 economy and quality of life; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage the
18 residents of this Commonwealth to celebrate "Wine, Wineries and
19 Grapes Month" by enjoying the many grape products offered by
20 Pennsylvania growers and responsibly partaking in favored
21 Pennsylvania wine products, all while engaging in the
22 festivities and gaining awareness of the services and products
23 offered by Pennsylvania wineries throughout all seasons of the
24 year; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize that,
26 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is more important than ever to
27 patronize our Commonwealth's wineries and vineyards in a safe
28 and responsible manner.