

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 173 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY GERGELY, PISCIOTTANO, VENKAT, FRANKEL, HARKINS, MAYES, GIRAL, HILL-EVANS, ROZZI, MIHALEK, SANCHEZ, SMITH-WADE-EL, T. DAVIS, McANDREW, HADDOCK, JAMES, WARNER, KINSEY, MALAGARI, MARSHALL, GREEN, GILLEN, NEILSON, KHAN AND GAYDOS, JULY 6, 2023

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, OCTOBER 16, 2023

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating ~~May 30, 2023~~ OCTOBER 20, 2023, as "Kennywood Park <--
2 Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, On May 30, 1899, Kennywood Park opened as a trolley
4 park at the end of the Monongahela Street Railway to offer
5 entertainment for mill workers and their families; and

6 WHEREAS, Kennywood Park is a popular tourist destination and
7 regional park where patrons from across the nation and around
8 the community meet to enjoy Kennywood Park's charms and thrills;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Kennywood Park works tirelessly to preserve its
11 history, being named a National Historic Landmark in 1987; and

12 WHEREAS, Kennywood Park operates three historic classic
13 rollercoasters, the Jack Rabbit, the Racer and the Thunderbolt,
14 all dating to the 1920s, that continue to win national awards;
15 and

1 WHEREAS, Kennywood Park features old-time nostalgia in "Lost
2 Kennywood," a section of rides which replicate the architecture
3 and design of the park's rides decades ago; and

4 WHEREAS, Kennywood Park hosts many events and festivals
5 throughout the year, from the "Pierogi Fest" and "Phantom Fright
6 Nights" to "Holiday Lights"; and

7 WHEREAS, Kennywood Park continues to employ hundreds of local
8 teenagers and young adults, serving as a steppingstone for
9 thousands of careers; and

10 WHEREAS, While honoring its history and traditions, Kennywood
11 Park has not lost sight of the present and continues to grow and
12 improve, installing new rides while maintaining its classic
13 rollercoasters; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate ~~May 30,~~ <--
15 ~~2023~~ OCTOBER 20, 2023, as "Kennywood Park Day" in Pennsylvania; <--
16 and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives celebrate the
18 125th anniversary of Kennywood Park's opening in Allegheny
19 County; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives congratulate the
21 owners, workers and patrons on more than a century of fun at
22 Kennywood Park, with many more years to come.