THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2014

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 27, 2014

A RESOLUTION

- Designating August 2014 as "Pennsylvania Produce Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's vegetable industry generates
- 4 more than \$153 million in revenue to the economy of this
- 5 Commonwealth; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Three thousand nine hundred and fifty farm families
- 7 manage about 49,400 acres which produce more than 280,000 tons
- 8 of vegetables for fresh and processing use; and
- 9 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's vegetable growers nationally
- 10 placed fourth in the production of pumpkins, fifth in processing
- 11 snap beans, seventh in fresh market sweet corn, eighth in
- 12 cantaloupes and thirteenth in fresh market tomatoes and cabbage;
- 13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's vegetables are both delicious

- 1 and nutritious, providing important vitamins, fiber and other
- 2 dietary components that are essential to a healthy, balanced
- 3 diet; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Health authorities have long encouraged increased
- 5 consumption of vegetables for both nutritional and disease
- 6 prevention purposes; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Fresh Pennsylvania vegetables are available in
- 8 abundant supply and peak quality at community farmers' markets,
- 9 roadside farm markets and supermarkets throughout this
- 10 Commonwealth during the month of August; and
- 11 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's vegetable industry is committed
- 12 to using integrated pest management and other good agricultural
- 13 practices to produce, in an environmentally sound manner,
- 14 vegetables and vegetable products that are both nutritious and
- 15 safe; therefore be it
- 16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate August
- 17 2014 as "Pennsylvania Produce Month" in Pennsylvania and
- 18 recognize this Commonwealth's abundant supply of "PA Preferred"
- 19 fresh and processed vegetable products while recognizing the
- 20 industry's contributions to our economy and our health.