THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1074 Session of 2018

INTRODUCED BY MATZIE, READSHAW, BIZZARRO, HARKINS, SNYDER, BURNS, DEASY, KULIK, HENNESSEY, NEILSON, THOMAS, PASHINSKI, MACKENZIE, KINSEY, CALTAGIRONE, SCHLOSSBERG, DUSH, SONNEY, MILLARD, SCHLEGEL CULVER, PICKETT, HILL-EVANS, HICKERNELL, BARRAR, LONGIETTI, MARSICO, YOUNGBLOOD, A. HARRIS, DIGIROLAMO AND DRISCOLL, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of October 2018 as "Wine, Wineries and 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 United States' first commercial grapevine
- 10 nursery operated in Montgomery County in southeastern
- 11 Pennsylvania; and
- 12 WHEREAS, With more than 270 wineries in this Commonwealth,
- 13 Pennsylvania is seventh in the nation in the number of wineries
- 14 and fourth in the amount of wine produced; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Our wineries, grapes and grape juice provide a \$2.5

- 1 billion economic impact to this Commonwealth annually; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Since 2010, Commonwealth wineries boasted more than
- 3 75 award-winning entries in several national and international
- 4 wine competitions; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In light of the many successes, the Pennsylvania
- 6 Winery Association is proud to celebrate the industry during
- 7 October's "Pennsylvania Wine Month"; and
- 8 WHEREAS, This October, wine lovers can revel in the year's
- 9 bountiful harvest as many of the wineries and trails throughout
- 10 this Commonwealth are offering harvest events and celebrations;
- 11 therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 13 month of October 2018 as "Wine, Wineries and Grapes Month" in
- 14 Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 16 significant and invaluable contributions made by the grape
- 17 industry and the wine industry to this Commonwealth's history,
- 18 economy and quality of life; and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage the
- 20 residents of this Commonwealth to celebrate "Wine, Wineries and
- 21 Grapes Month" by enjoying many of the grape products of
- 22 Pennsylvania growers and responsibly partaking in favorite
- 23 Pennsylvania wine products while engaging in the festivities and
- 24 gaining awareness of the services and products offered by
- 25 Pennsylvania wineries throughout all seasons of the year.