
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 507 Session of
2017

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SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of October 2017 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 United States' first commercial grapevine
10 nursery operated in Montgomery County in southeastern
11 Pennsylvania; and

12 WHEREAS, With more than 200 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 \$2.35

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 2017 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.