
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 4, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 6, 2017, as "Manufacturing Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The manufacturing industry directly adds more than
4 \$70 billion in value to Pennsylvania's economy every year; and

5 WHEREAS, The manufacturing sector is a leading contributor to
6 gross State product at 12%; and

7 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania manufacturers sell more than \$36
8 billion worth of goods overseas annually, representing 91% of
9 all State exports; and

10 WHEREAS, More than 570,000 Pennsylvania workers are employed
11 in the manufacturing industry; and

12 WHEREAS, Millions of additional Pennsylvania jobs are
13 directly sustained by manufacturing in supply chains,
14 distribution networks, warehousing and logistics; and

15 WHEREAS, Manufacturing jobs have above-average wages and

1 benefits, with average annual income of more than \$69,000, 40%
2 higher than nonmanufacturing sectors; and

3 WHEREAS, Manufacturing drives innovation and productivity,
4 accounting for 70% of all research and development expenditures
5 in the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, More awareness is needed to attract students and
7 young people to look at the manufacturing sector for
8 opportunity, professional growth and family-sustaining jobs as
9 more than 10,000 positions remained unfilled in the industry in
10 Pennsylvania due to a lack of a trainable work force; therefore
11 be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
13 6, 2017, as "Manufacturing Day" in Pennsylvania, in conjunction
14 with national efforts, to recognize the overwhelming economic
15 contributions manufacturing makes in our Commonwealth and the
16 ongoing potential it has in continuing to create the work force
17 of tomorrow.