
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 615 Session of
2014

INTRODUCED BY COHEN, BISHOP, BIZZARRO, BROWNLEE, P. DALEY,
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SCHREIBER, THOMAS AND WATSON, JANUARY 16, 2014

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JANUARY 16, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the first consecutive Saturday and Sunday of each
2 month as "National Small Business Weekend" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The National Small Business Weekend Organization
4 helps to promote the idea of purchasing locally by urging people
5 to shop small businesses on the first weekend of each month; and

6 WHEREAS, Small businesses employ 60 million Americans who
7 live and work in area neighborhoods; and

8 WHEREAS, Small businesses are a driving force behind our
9 nation's economy, creating nearly two out of every three new
10 jobs and generating close to 50% of our nation's nonfarm gross
11 domestic product; and

12 WHEREAS, Small businesses represent 99.7% of employer firms
13 in the United States; and

14 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has the sixth largest labor force
15 in the nation with more than 6.4 million workers; and

16 WHEREAS, Small businesses represent 94.2% of employer firms

1 in this Commonwealth; and

2 WHEREAS, Small businesses are innovators, and their concerns
3 serve to advance technology and productivity; and

4 WHEREAS, Promoting locally made products and supporting small
5 businesses will further strengthen our national economy and
6 encourage businesses to offer more American-made products;
7 therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge the
9 National Small Business Weekend Organization for the good work
10 they do in promoting the buy local, buy American campaign; and
11 be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
13 first consecutive Saturday and Sunday of each month as "National
14 Small Business Weekend" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
16 The National Small Business Weekend Organization, 308 Walnut
17 Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106.