
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 810 Session of
2014

INTRODUCED BY MASSER, DONATUCCI, DIGIROLAMO, CALTAGIRONE, JAMES, SAINATO, NEILSON, MUSTIO, DAVIS, SONNEY, BIZZARRO, THOMAS, EVERETT, GODSHALL, HENNESSEY, V. BROWN, O'NEILL, GRELL, KNOWLES, MILLARD, HEFFLEY, WATSON, LONGIETTI, MCCARTER, SNYDER, SACCONE, YOUNGBLOOD, COHEN, GIBBONS, KIM, LUCAS, MULLERY, SWANGER, MCNEILL, OBERLANDER, SCHLEGEL CULVER, PICKETT, PASHINSKI, MIRABITO, KORTZ, GOODMAN, GABLER, SANKEY, ROCK, MURT, ROSS, D. COSTA, CLYMER, HARHART, FLECK, HARHAI, READSHAW AND HAHN, APRIL 28, 2014

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 28, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May as "Coal Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, Coal mining not only has a major place in the
3 history of this Commonwealth, but has also contributed greatly
4 to its economic growth; and

5 WHEREAS, Northeastern Pennsylvania has the largest deposit of
6 anthracite coal in the world and is known as the "Coal Region";
7 and

8 WHEREAS, The Coal Region encompasses 480 square miles and
9 originally held 22.8 billion short tons of coal, of which 7
10 billion tons remain; and

11 WHEREAS, Coal production reached its pinnacle during World
12 War I; and

13 WHEREAS, From the late 19th century to 1950, coal was the

1 most popular fuel for heating homes and buildings in the
2 northeast; and

3 WHEREAS, Workers came from all over the world to work in
4 Pennsylvania mines facilitating the ethnic and cultural
5 diversity of Pennsylvania; and

6 WHEREAS, There are countless stories of sacrifice, loyalty
7 and hard work demonstrated throughout the last two centuries by
8 legendary coal miners who spent long and dark hours in the mines
9 and families who awaited their daily return from work; therefore
10 be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
12 month of May as "Coal Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania.