
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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GINGRICH, MOUL AND GILLEN, APRIL 13, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 13, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing April 13, 2016, as "Industrial Resource Center
2 Appreciation Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Manufacturing is among this Commonwealth's leading
4 industries, contributing \$82 billion in economic impact each
5 year, an amount that makes this Commonwealth the 8th largest
6 manufacturing state in the nation; and

7 WHEREAS, Manufacturing provides a family-sustaining average
8 wage of over \$57,000 to more than 570,000 direct employees each
9 year, thus infusing over \$32 billion of employee earnings into
10 this Commonwealth's economy each year; and

11 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's more than 14,000 manufacturers
12 helped fuel the Commonwealth by contributing more than \$959
13 million of wage taxes and \$445 million of sales taxes to the
14 State Treasury last year; and

15 WHEREAS, The industrial resource centers were established by

1 the General Assembly under the Industrial Resources Center
2 Partnership Act to serve the manufacturing industries in this
3 Commonwealth; and

4 WHEREAS, The Statewide industrial resource centers diligently
5 provide technical services and much-needed expertise to this
6 Commonwealth's small-sized to mid-sized manufacturing community
7 in the areas of innovation, process improvement, reshoring and
8 technology acceleration; and

9 WHEREAS, Over the past 10 years, the work of our Statewide
10 industrial resource centers has positively impacted and has
11 created or retained critical manufacturing jobs for more than
12 3,200 manufacturing businesses in this Commonwealth; and

13 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Commerce recently
14 verified that over the past 10 years manufacturers in this
15 Commonwealth have realized sales impacts of over \$7.4 trillion
16 and bottom-line cost savings of over \$636 billion as direct
17 results of industrial resource center services; and

18 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Commerce recently
19 verified that over the past 10 years industrial resource center
20 activities have facilitated over \$1.6 billion of manufacturer
21 investment in this Commonwealth and positively impacted more
22 than 57,000 manufacturing jobs; and

23 WHEREAS, The industrial resource centers in this Commonwealth
24 represent a public-private partnership that looks forward to
25 continuing to leverage Federal, State and industry resources to
26 further advance our manufacturing economy and create
27 manufacturing jobs well into the future; therefore be it

28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize April
29 13, 2016, as "Industrial Resource Center Appreciation Day" in
30 Pennsylvania and urge its observance throughout this

1 Commonwealth to show appreciation for the work of the industrial
2 resource centers and the importance of the industries they
3 serve.