THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 445

Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY PASHINSKI, CONKLIN, HILL-EVANS, OBERLANDER, PROBST, PICKETT, STRUZZI, MOUL, SAPPEY, KINSEY, GIRAL, HADDOCK, CAUSER, ROZZI, KAUFFMAN, KHAN, MALAGARI, MENTZER, ZIMMERMAN, D. WILLIAMS, NEILSON, DALEY, KENYATTA, COOK, JAMES, T. DAVIS, JOZWIAK, GREINER, FEE, STENDER, HAMM AND O'MARA, MAY 21, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, MAY 21, 2024

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the month of June 2024 as "Dairy Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The dairy industry is this Commonwealth's largest
- 4 agricultural industry; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Dairy farmers are established contributors to our
- 6 communities; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Dairy farming is an integral part of this
- 8 Commonwealth's agriculture and overall economy, generating \$11.8
- 9 billion of economic activity annually; and
- 10 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth ranks second in the nation in
- 11 terms of the number of dairy farms; and
- 12 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth ranks eighth nationally in milk
- 13 production, and this Commonwealth's 470,000 cows produced nearly
- 14 10 billion pounds of milk in 2023; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The dairy industry supports more than 47,000 jobs

- 1 across this Commonwealth; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Ninety-nine percent of the dairy farms in this
- 3 Commonwealth are family-owned; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dairy farmers, their families and other dairy
- 5 industry employees should be recognized and celebrated;
- 6 therefore be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 8 month of June 2024 as "Dairy Month" in Pennsylvania; and be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives bring awareness
- 11 to the current hardships facing the dairy industry in this
- 12 Commonwealth; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 14 immense value that this Commonwealth's dairy industry injects
- 15 into our State and local economies; and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives applaud the hard
- 17 work and resiliency of our dairy farmers and their families; and
- 18 be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives promote the
- 20 purchase and consumption of the high-quality dairy products
- 21 produced here at home in this Commonwealth.