## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 151 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY PASHINSKI, MOUL, MADDEN, MARCELL, R. MACKENZIE, OBERLANDER, HILL-EVANS, COOK, HADDOCK, KINSEY, LAWRENCE, SANCHEZ, MENTZER, STENDER, DELLOSO, SAPPEY, MERSKI AND STRUZZI, JUNE 13, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, JUNE 13, 2023

## A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating the month of June 2023 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 seventh nationally in milk
13	production, and this Commonwealth's 470,000 cows produced nearly
14	10 billion pounds of milk in 2022; and
15	WHEREAS, The dairy industry supports more than 47,000 jobs
16	across this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Ninety-nine percent of the dairy farms in this
Commonwealth are family-owned; and

3 WHEREAS, Dairy farmers, their families and other dairy 4 industry employees should be recognized and celebrated; 5 therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the 7 month of June 2023 as "Dairy Month" in Pennsylvania; and be it 8 further

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives bring awareness 10 to the current hardships facing the dairy industry in this 11 Commonwealth; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the 13 immense value that this Commonwealth's dairy industry injects 14 into our State and local economies; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives applaud the hard 16 work and resiliency of our dairy farmers and their families; and 17 be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives promote the 19 purchase and consumption of the high-quality dairy products 20 produced here at home in this Commonwealth.

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