THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 653 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY CAUSER, METZGAR, OWLETT, BIZZARRO, BURNS, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DiGIROLAMO, EVERETT, FEE, HEFFLEY, JOZWIAK, KORTZ, KRUEGER, LONGIETTI, MALAGARI, MALONEY, MARSHALL, MILLARD, MOUL, MURT, OBERLANDER, PICKETT, RAPP, READSHAW, RYAN, SCHMITT, SONNEY, WENTLING AND WILLIAMS, JANUARY 10, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, JANUARY 10, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating the week of March 16 through 22, 2020, as "Maple Producers Week" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, Maple producers have a significant role in the
4	economy of this Commonwealth; and
5	WHEREAS, Each year, starting around the middle of February,
6	hundreds of individuals across this Commonwealth participate in
7	the time-honored tradition of tapping sugar Maple trees to
8	collect sap, which is evaporated to make maple syrup, and heated
9	further to make maple cream, maple sugar, maple candy and other
10	maple products; and
11	WHEREAS, Each tree tapped produces approximately 10 gallons
12	of sap, which yields approximately one quart of maple syrup; and
13	WHEREAS, It takes 30 to 55 gallons of maple sap to make one
14	gallon of maple syrup; and
15	WHEREAS, One gallon of maple syrup can produce eight pounds
16	of maple candy or maple sugar; and

WHEREAS, A gallon of pure maple syrup weighs 11 pounds; and
WHEREAS, Maple season in Pennsylvania usually lasts four to
eight weeks, depending on weather conditions; and

4 WHEREAS, The maple harvest season ends when nights get warmer 5 and early buds develop in the trees; and

6 WHEREAS, Several Pennsylvania maple producer organizations 7 celebrate and highlight the industry in March by inviting the 8 public to touring and tasting events; and

9 WHEREAS, Maple producers deserve recognition for the role 10 they play in the economy of this Commonwealth; therefore be it 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the 12 week of March 16 through 22, 2020, as "Maple Producers Week" in 13 Pennsylvania.

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