

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SAPPEY, HILL-EVANS, McNEILL, WAXMAN, SCHLOSSBERG,  
HOWARD, BRENNAN, VITALI, GUENST, GALLAGHER, SHUSTERMAN,  
SANCHEZ, CONKLIN, STEELE, ISAACSON, FRANKEL, CIRESI AND  
CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of October 2025 as "National Animal Safety  
2 and Protection Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "National Animal Safety and Protection Month" is  
4 dedicated to raising awareness about how to keep animals safe  
5 and protected; and

6 WHEREAS, Animal safety and protection efforts in the United  
7 States began in Massachusetts, where the General Court included  
8 a law in the Body of Liberties of 1641 that prohibited animal  
9 cruelty; and

10 WHEREAS, The exact origins of the national observance are  
11 unclear but it is widely believed to have been established by an  
12 organization focused on promoting the safe coexistence of humans  
13 and animals; and

14 WHEREAS, People can celebrate the holiday by microchipping  
15 their pets to help prevent them from getting lost, volunteering  
16 at animal shelters to support animals in need and visiting zoos

1 to further educate themselves about animal care and  
2 conservation; and

3 WHEREAS, "National Animal Safety and Protection Month" is  
4 important because it promotes animal safety by educating the  
5 public on proper care and precautions, helps to reduce animal  
6 abuse by raising awareness about what animal abuse is and how to  
7 report it and supports animal shelters through increased  
8 donations from animal lovers during the month; and

9 WHEREAS, "National Animal Safety and Protection Month" is  
10 observed annually in October; and

11 WHEREAS, It is important for all Pennsylvanians to be aware  
12 of "National Animal Safety and Protection Month," the origin of  
13 "National Animal Safety and Protection Month," when "National  
14 Animal Safety and Protection Month" is held annually and the  
15 purpose and impact of "National Animal Safety and Protection  
16 Month"; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
18 month of October 2025 as "National Animal Safety and Protection  
19 Month" in Pennsylvania.