

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 323 Session of
2025

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

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the ~~month~~ MONTHS of October 2025 AND OCTOBER 2026 as <--
2 "National Animal Safety and Protection Month" in
3 Pennsylvania.

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

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

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

15 WHEREAS, People can celebrate the holiday by microchipping
16 their pets to help prevent them from getting lost, volunteering
17 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~~ MONTHS of October 2025 AND OCTOBER 2026 as "National
19 Animal Safety and Protection Month" in Pennsylvania.

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