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Representative Kick

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing Dairy Month in Ohio, June 2017.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize June 2017 as Dairy Month in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Agriculture is one of Ohio's top industries, and with 2,500 dairy farms, averaging nearly one hundred cows per farm, the dairy industry has a vital impact on the economy. Producing 630 million gallons of milk annually, Ohio's dairy farmers provide nutrient-rich foods, economic stability, and growth opportunities to the residents of the state and also to people nationally and around the world; and

WHEREAS, Implementing numerous conservation measures to protect the land, including reducing waste, recycling water and manure, and using crop technologies that improve soil and prevent erosion, dairy farmers have not only worked to help the environment but preserve it for many generations to come. Dairy products are nutritious, containing such essential nutrients as calcium, potassium, phosphorus, protein, vitamins A, D, and B12, riboflavin, and niacin, and dairy, when added to a healthy diet, can help manage an individual's weight, reduce the risk of disease, high blood pressure, osteoporosis, certain cancers, build and repair muscle tissue, and maintain healthy skin; and

WHEREAS, At a time of increasing urbanization, when many are forced to depend on the services of a few to survive, dairy farmers have shouldered the responsibility of feeding the world's population with admirable competence and efficiency. As these farmers' efforts are all too often overlooked, it is appropriate that we pay tribute to these individuals, who have contributed immensely to Ohio's agricultural greatness; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 29
Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 30
this Resolution, recognize June 2017 as Dairy Month in Ohio and 31
urge all citizens to observe the month with appropriate programs 32
and activities; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 34
transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news 35
media of Ohio. 36