

# As Adopted by the Senate

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## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing June 2017 as National Dairy Month.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General  
Assembly of Ohio are proud to acknowledge June 2017 as National  
Dairy Month; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we pay tribute to Ohio's dairy  
farm families, who work hard on more than 2,500 farms across the  
state, and make profound contributions to a network that provides  
nutritious dairy products that feed the world. During National  
Dairy Month, we celebrate these fine individuals for their  
commitment to not only providing fresh, nutritious, real milk and  
other dairy foods to households but also to preserving our state's  
natural resources by improving the soil, preventing erosion, and  
reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Dairy farms have implemented a  
number of energy efficiency measures and clean energy technologies  
to reduce cost and waste without compromising the quality of their  
products, and their dedication to excellence and conservation is  
deserving of high praise; and

WHEREAS, Through the efforts of Ohio's dairy farm families,  
more than 5.4 billion pounds of milk are produced each year, and  
as a result, Ohio has been ranked 11th in the nation in milk  
production and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in Swiss cheese, low-fat cottage  
cheese, and sour cream production, respectively. Dairy production  
has become a cornerstone of our state's economic foundation,  
creating more than 2.35 billion dollars in revenue and 14,400  
jobs; and

WHEREAS, The continued health and wellness of our children is  
due, in no small part, to a readily available supply of wholesome  
dairy products, and the nutrients found in dairy are essential to  
a balanced diet. All those affiliated with Ohio's dairy industry

are helping to insure that future generations are well-nourished, 29  
and they have set an example that is worthy of emulation; 30  
therefore be it 31

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 32  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, recognize 33  
June 2017 as National Dairy Month and urge all citizens to observe 34  
the month with appropriate programs and activities; and be it 35  
further 36

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 37  
authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news media of Ohio. 38