

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

House of Representatives



WHEREAS, the vending and convenience services industry in Pennsylvania generates an economic impact of \$4.0 billion and more than \$1.4 billion in wages; and

WHEREAS, the vending and convenience services industry has expanded in recent decades to include a wide array of convenience services and refreshments and has recently launched a national public health commitment; and

WHEREAS, the vending and convenience services industry uses cutting edge technology to deliver innovative options to consumers; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, the vending and convenience services industry served as an essential industry providing food and beverages to fuel first responders and other critical industries; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is proud of all the small business owners in the Commonwealth who own vending companies; and

WHEREAS, the industry stands uniquely equipped to service food and desserts in underserved communities throughout the nation through its supply chain, commissary and unique “last-foot” distribution expertise; and

WHEREAS, the industry has committed to increase the percentage of healthier food and beverage options in the nation’s vending machines to 33 percent; and

WHEREAS, the National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA) has designated March 7, 2024 as “National Vending Day;”

And therefore, be it resolved that the General Assembly recognizes March 7, 2024 as National Vending Day in Pennsylvania for the contributions of the vending and convenience services industry.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas Kutz".

State Representative

Thomas Kutz

87th Legislative District

