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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Covernor's Office

PROCLAMATION

DAIRY OF DISTINCTION WEEK August 13 - 19, 1989

Pennsylvania's dairy farmers take pride in the operation and appearance of their dairy farms. Their long hours and hard work play a vital role in the Commonwealth's continued ranking among the nation's five leading dairy states.

Each year, the Pennsylvania Dairy of Distinction Program selects the most attractive of the state's 13,700 dairy farms. Teams of judges working in 10 districts survey several hundred farms entered in the competition, rating each for neatness, maintenance and roadside appearance. Ninety-one dairy farms were honored last year. Since the program was introduced three years ago, 280 farms have received this recognition.

Dairy farming has been a major component in agriculture's emergence as Pennsylvania's number one industry. Despite such adversities as last year's drought and this year's excessive rainfall, the state's dairy farms annually produce more than 10 billion pounds of milk and contribute some \$1.3 billion to our economy.

In recognition of the dedication and commitment of our dairy farmers, I, Robert P. Casey, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim August 13 - 19, 1989, as DAIRY OF DISTINCTION WEEK in Pennsylvania. I urge our citizens to support the state's dairy industry by enjoying delicious, nutritious Pennsylvania dairy products throughout the year and to witness the scenic beauty of many of Pennsylvania's dairy farms.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-fourth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and fourteenth.

Robert P. Casey