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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of December 1, 1991, as "Geography  
2 Awareness Week."

3 WHEREAS, Geography is a discipline that enables us to  
4 understand our human and physical world in all of its aspects;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, An understanding of geographic principles is  
7 important if we are to be an enlightened society of productive  
8 citizens and if we are to exercise global leadership; and

9 WHEREAS, Educational programs in the systematic study of  
10 geography help make it possible for citizens to possess the  
11 requisite skills to effectively explore questions critical to  
12 humanity; and

13 WHEREAS, Society benefits from programs of basic and higher  
14 education which offer curricula that impart to students an  
15 empirical understanding of geographic themes, including  
16 location, place, relationships within place, movement and  
17 regions; and

1       WHEREAS, Educators, private sector leaders, the National  
2   Geographic Society, the National Council for Geographic  
3   Education, the Association of American Geographers, the  
4   Pennsylvania Geographic Alliance and similar organizations have  
5   expressed concern that our citizens should have a greater  
6   understanding of geography; and

7       WHEREAS, It is a national educational goal to enhance our  
8   society's geographic perspectives about global places and their  
9   relationships to each other; therefore be it

10      RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
11   importance of geography and designate the week of December 1,  
12   1991, as "Geography Awareness Week."