

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY PICKETT, PHILLIPS, FAIRCHILD, HASAY, SATHER, HESS,
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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 17, 2003

A RESOLUTION

1 Observing the week of June 1 through 8, 2003, as "National
2 Fishing Week" in this Commonwealth.

3 WHEREAS, Fishing is an outdoor tradition rooted deeply in the
4 history of our State and its citizens; and

5 WHEREAS, Each year, 1.3 million Pennsylvanians fish
6 Commonwealth waters, making more than 18 million trips to those
7 waters; and

8 WHEREAS, The sport of fishing not only provides wholesome
9 recreational opportunities but also contributes some \$1.1
10 billion of economic input to this Commonwealth, supports more
11 than 14,000 jobs for Pennsylvanians and contributes about \$54
12 million to the General Fund in State sales and income taxes; and

13 WHEREAS, "National Fishing Week," June 1 through 8, 2003, is
14 a cooperative program designed to promote recreational fishing
15 and aquatic resource education in the United States; and

16 WHEREAS, In conjunction with "National Fishing Week," the
17 Commonwealth has marked June 7, 2003, as "Fish for Free Day";

1 and

2 WHEREAS, "Fish for Free Day" provides all Pennsylvanians with
3 an opportunity to sample this Commonwealth's plentiful fishing
4 opportunities without a fishing license; therefore be it

5 RESOLVED, That the week of June 1 through 8, 2003, be
6 observed as "National Fishing Week" in this Commonwealth.