
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WILLIAMS, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, OCTOBER 15, 2003

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 15, 2003

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing October 18, 2003, as "World Water Monitoring Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The world's supply of clean, usable water is a
4 product of the global hydrologic cycle; and

5 WHEREAS, Life and health are at stake in many parts of the
6 world where water quality is diminished; and

7 WHEREAS, In some parts of the world, commerce and recreation
8 affect water quality; and

9 WHEREAS, Since the world's water supply is constantly
10 recycled through natural processes over vast geographic
11 expanses, water quality truly becomes a worldwide issue; and

12 WHEREAS, America's Clean Water Foundation and the
13 International Water Association are inviting citizens and

1 organizations from around the globe to share in the experience
2 of water quality monitoring on "World Water Monitoring Day"; and

3 WHEREAS, "World Water Monitoring Day" serves as a global
4 educational platform for watershed leaders, educators and
5 trained volunteers to help others understand how the actions of
6 individuals impact a watershed; and

7 WHEREAS, From September 18 through October 18, 2003, citizens
8 worldwide have an opportunity to monitor the quality of their
9 local watersheds, enter their results into an international
10 database and, on October 18, celebrate "World Water Monitoring
11 Day" together; and

12 WHEREAS, Although actions taken over this short period cannot
13 solve all water quality problems, they can support existing
14 efforts to adopt practices and attitudes which promote the
15 health of each watershed; and

16 WHEREAS, "World Water Monitoring Day" is a first step for
17 persons who have never considered taking part in water quality
18 protection; and

19 WHEREAS, Last year, more than 75,000 people across the United
20 States took part in "National Water Monitoring Day,"
21 participating in water quality monitoring, educational outreach
22 and water festivals; and

23 WHEREAS, More than 5,150 monitoring sites were registered
24 across the United States, and citizens, volunteer monitors and
25 government officials completed testing on more than 70% of these
26 sites; therefore be it

27 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize October
28 18, 2003, as "World Water Monitoring Day" in Pennsylvania.