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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating April 22, 2004, as "Earth Day--Pennsylvania."

2 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has been endowed with true natural  
3 beauty and an abundance of wood, water and natural resources;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The founder of our Commonwealth, William Penn,  
6 praised the land greatly after he saw it for the first time in  
7 1682, noting "The country itself, its soil, air, water, seasons  
8 and produce, both natural and artificial, is not to be  
9 despised"; and

10 WHEREAS, While the House of Representatives has been taking

1 action to protect and preserve our natural resources, passing  
2 such measures as the Conservation Bill of Rights, the Hazardous  
3 Sites Cleanup Act, the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and  
4 Waste Reduction Act and the Abandoned Mine Subsidence Assistance  
5 Act and recently modernizing The Clean Streams Law, the  
6 contamination of our water and the despoliation of our land  
7 continues to be a problem and a major legislative concern; and

8 WHEREAS, We approach the 32nd anniversary of the first Earth  
9 Day, held in April of 1970, filled with resolve to protect the  
10 natural resources of our Commonwealth for all future  
11 generations; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate April  
13 22, 2004, as "Earth Day--Pennsylvania"; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives dedicate itself  
15 to the proposition that our natural environment must be  
16 protected and preserved.