

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 174 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY MARSICO, BOBACK, BOYD, BRADFORD, BRENNAN, BROOKS, BUXTON, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, CLYMER, CONKLIN, D. COSTA, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, J. EVANS, EVERETT, FLECK, FREEMAN, GABLER, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GILLEN, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRELL, HARHART, HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, KAVULICH, M. K. KELLER, KILLION, KORTZ, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MAHER, MAJOR, MANN, MARSHALL, MCGEEHAN, METZGAR, MILLARD, MILLER, MURT, MUSTIO, D. O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, PICKETT, PYLE, QUINN, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROCK, ROEBUCK, ROSS, SAINATO, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SONNEY, STABACK, STEVENSON, SWANGER, VULAKOVICH, WATSON, WHEATLEY, YOUNGBLOOD, WHITE AND DeLUCA, APRIL 5, 2011

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 5, 2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing April 29, 2011, as "Arbor Day"; promoting public  
2 participation in the celebration; and further recognizing the  
3 value of trees to our environment.

4 WHEREAS, The tree has proved to be a valuable component of  
5 our environment by providing us with natural aesthetics for  
6 landscaping, a biological tool to control water and wind  
7 erosion, a renewable source of food, fuel and lumber for man, a  
8 habitat for birds and wildlife and a natural producer of oxygen  
9 and water through the process of transpiration; and

10 WHEREAS, The original "Arbor Day" was observed with the  
11 planting of more than a million trees; and

12 WHEREAS, Scientists, environmentalists, foresters and  
13 government officials throughout the world are increasingly

1 alarmed about the significant clearing and destruction of the  
2 forests of the world and are now exploring the feasibility of  
3 large-scale reforestation programs as a means of preventing a  
4 possible adverse climate change such as global warming; and

5 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" has been designated by many states as a  
6 time to recognize the importance of trees to our environment;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" is now celebrated throughout the United  
9 States and in countries around the world; and

10 WHEREAS, The last Friday in April is commonly held to be the  
11 day to celebrate "Arbor Day"; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives hereby recognize  
13 April 29, 2011, as "Arbor Day"; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives ask that citizens  
15 and communities throughout this Commonwealth, individually and  
16 collectively, engage in the celebration of "Arbor Day" by  
17 planting trees in appropriate public places as a source of  
18 future enjoyment and civic pride; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be conveyed to the  
20 Governor and the Senate to solicit their support of this  
21 recognition.