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A RESOLUTION

- Encouraging all citizens to observe and participate in Earth Day this April 22nd.
- 3 WHEREAS, April 22, 2016, is the 46th celebration of Earth
- 4 Day; and
- 5 WHEREAS, On April 22, 1970, United States Senator Gaylord
- 6 Nelson of Wisconsin created the concept of Earth Day to
- 7 encourage all United States citizens to contemplate the damage
- 8 being done to the Earth due to pollution; and
- 9 WHEREAS, More and more United States citizens recognize Earth
- 10 Day each year, but until it is recognized by all individuals, we
- 11 must continue to spread the word; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The necessity for individuals to step up and protect
- 13 the planet is now more essential than ever, especially for the
- 14 people in this country and Commonwealth who believe that
- 15 protecting the environment is crucial for conserving our health,
- 16 our economy and all living things that share the planet
- 17 alongside us; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Earth Day is a day to recognize the actions of those
- 2 who aid in creating a safer, cleaner environment around the
- 3 world and to contribute whatever help we can offer to those
- 4 individuals so that we may all come together for the sake of the
- 5 Earth; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Carbon dioxide levels are sitting at their highest
- 7 point in history and calendar year 2015 had the warmest average
- 8 temperature on record and that number continues to rise; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The 46th anniversary of Earth Day seeks to
- 10 accomplish a simple yet ambitious, five-year project: to plant
- 11 7.8 billion trees by the 50th anniversary of Earth Day in order
- 12 to absorb excess carbon dioxide properly, to efficiently filter
- 13 the air and to allow communities to achieve long-term economic
- 14 and environmental sustainability; therefore be it
- 15 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 16 encourage all citizens to observe and participate in Earth Day
- 17 this April 22nd; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That the residents of this Commonwealth help in any
- 19 way possible so that the goal of planting nearly 8 billion trees
- 20 may be met or other projects for sustainability be undertaken
- 21 for the betterment of our community.