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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing October 19, 2019, as "Chester County Clean Energy  
2 Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Energy efficiency is the cheapest, quickest and  
4 cleanest way to meet our energy needs and reduce utility bills  
5 for residential, business and industrial customers; and

6 WHEREAS, Smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity  
7 needed to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant  
8 emissions that can harm our health, pollute our air and warm our  
9 climate; and

10 WHEREAS, Cutting energy waste saves United States consumers  
11 billions of dollars on utility bills annually, up to \$500 per  
12 household, from appliance efficiency standards alone; and

13 WHEREAS, Implementing energy efficiency and other clean  
14 energy policies and programs helps boost economic opportunities  
15 and job creation while continuing to move toward a sustainable  
16 future; and

17 WHEREAS, Clean energy jobs in Pennsylvania added 5,000 jobs  
18 in 2018, which is five times faster than the overall economic

1 growth in this Commonwealth; and

2 WHEREAS, More than 5,000 Chester County residents work in  
3 clean and renewable energy jobs and more than 3,500 work in the  
4 energy efficiency sector in local, well-paying jobs that cannot  
5 be outsourced, and by increasing efficiency, more of these jobs  
6 will be created; and

7 WHEREAS, For cities and states tackling harmful pollution,  
8 energy efficiency can help reach climate goals and is the  
9 foundational step in assessing the need for local renewable  
10 energy generation; and

11 WHEREAS, Chester County is a Statewide leader in renewable  
12 energy with more than 20 megawatt and more than 840 clean energy  
13 installations in place, including at county businesses,  
14 universities, schools, homes, farms and nonprofits; and

15 WHEREAS, The residents of Chester County can continue to  
16 contribute to our energy efficiency efforts by learning about  
17 their options and participating in the Chester County Clean  
18 Energy Open House Tour on October 19; and

19 WHEREAS, Together, the residents of this Commonwealth can  
20 continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning  
21 more about energy efficiency, practicing smarter energy use in  
22 their daily lives and purchasing electricity from a renewable  
23 energy provider; therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize  
25 October 19, 2019, as "Chester County Clean Energy Day" in  
26 Pennsylvania; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge residents to  
28 join in support of clean energy goals and moving toward a more  
29 energy efficient present and future.