HEMLOCK ADOPTED AS STATE TREE Act of Jun. 22, 1931, P.L. 661, No. 233

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AN ACT

Declaring and adopting the hemlock (Tsuga Canadensis Linnaeus) as the State tree of Pennsylvania.

Whereas, The hemlock (Tsuga Canadensis Linnaeus) is still today, as it was of old, the tree most typical of the forests of Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, The hemlock yielded to our pioneers the wood from which they wrought their cabin homes; and

Whereas, The hemlock gave its bark to found a mighty industry; and

Whereas, The hemlock everywhere lends kindly shelter and sure haven to the wild things of forests; and

Whereas, The lighted hemlock at Christmas time dazzles the bright eyes of the child with an unguessed hope, and bears to the aged, in its leaves of evergreen, a sign and symbol of faith in immortality; now therefore,

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the hemlock tree (Tsuga Canadensis Linnaeus) be adopted as the State tree of Pennsylvania.