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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of May 6 through 13, 2001, as "Drinking Water and Ground Water Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, While 80% of the earth's surface is covered with
- 4 water, only 1% of the water is suitable for human consumption;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ground water, the water that soaks into the soil
- 7 from raindrops and moves downward to fill cracks and other
- 8 openings in beds of rocks and sand, makes up about 90% of the
- 9 fresh water on earth, not including polar ice caps; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In many cases, private water wells tapping ground
- 11 water resources can provide the highest quality water available
- 12 to homeowners and businesses; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Many people do not take this into consideration when
- 2 making decisions involving their own water supply, such as
- 3 choosing a home or taking a stand on local water supply
- 4 regulations; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The American Water Works Association established
- 6 "National Drinking Water Week" more than 30 years ago to call
- 7 attention to water as a precious natural resource; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The National Ground Water Association is conducting
- 9 a national campaign to designate May 6 through 13, as "National
- 10 Ground Water Awareness Week"; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The conservation of drinking water and ground water
- 12 and the assurance of maintaining water quality is essential to
- 13 this Commonwealth and our nation; therefore be it
- 14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 15 week of May 6 through 13, 2001, as "Drinking Water and Ground
- 16 Water Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania and urge all Pennsylvania
- 17 residents to conserve our precious drinking water and ground
- 18 water supply and preserve its superior quality.