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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing September 22, 2001, as "National Hunting and Fishing  
2 Day."

3 WHEREAS, Hunting and fishing have always been an important  
4 part of the American tradition. While these activities may no  
5 longer be necessary for survival, as they were in the early days  
6 of this Commonwealth, they are still relevant today; and

7 WHEREAS, Sportsmen have been in the forefront of the  
8 conservation movement for over one hundred years. Not content  
9 with merely vocalizing their support, hunters and anglers  
10 requested special fees and taxes on their equipment which help

1 pay for wildlife management and other conservation programs; and

2 WHEREAS, Sportsman-financed programs have led to the dramatic  
3 comeback of white-tailed deer, elk, antelope, wild turkey and  
4 numerous other wildlife species; and

5 WHEREAS, Individuals, and through their organizations,  
6 hunters and anglers volunteer countless hours of their time for  
7 local conservation projects and to raise funds for conservation;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The idea of devoting a special day to honor  
10 sportspersons who hunt and fish for their leading role in the  
11 conservation of fish, wildlife and other natural resources  
12 originated with a Pennsylvanian, Ira Joffe of Upper Darby; and

13 WHEREAS, September 22 marks the 30th anniversary of the first  
14 "National Hunting and Fishing Day"; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize  
16 September 22, 2001, as "National Hunting and Fishing Day"; and  
17 be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all  
19 Pennsylvanians to participate in the activities associated with  
20 "National Hunting and Fishing Day."