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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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CULVER AND MAHONEY, MAY 1, 2012

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, MAY  
1, 2012

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating April 22, 2012, as "Earth Day in Pennsylvania."

2 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has been endowed with true natural  
3 beauty and an abundance of wood, water and natural resources;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The founder of this Commonwealth, William Penn,  
6 praised the land greatly after he saw it for the first time in  
7 1682, noting "The country itself, its soil, air, water, seasons  
8 and produce, both natural and artificial, is not to be  
9 despised"; and

10 WHEREAS, While the General Assembly has taken action to  
11 protect and preserve the natural resources of this Commonwealth,  
12 the contamination of water and the despoliation of land continue  
13 to be a problem and legislative concern; and

1       WHEREAS, We approach the 42nd anniversary of the first Earth  
2 Day, held in April of 1970, filled with resolve to protect the  
3 natural resources of this Commonwealth for all future  
4 generations; therefore be it

5       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate April  
6 22, 2012, as "Earth Day in Pennsylvania"; and be it further

7       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives dedicate itself  
8 to the proposition that the natural environment of this  
9 Commonwealth must be protected and preserved and urge its  
10 members and all citizens in Pennsylvania to participate in Earth  
11 Day 2012 activities on April 22, 2012, and dedicate themselves  
12 every day throughout the year to do their part to protect the  
13 Earth and its natural resources and environment for all.