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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 803 Session of  
2018

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INTRODUCED BY MARSICO, MURT, READSHAW, RYAN, HENNESSEY, O'NEILL, M. K. KELLER, METZGAR, CHARLTON, ROZZI, CORBIN, MATZIE, BARBIN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, SCHWEYER, SCHLOSSBERG, SONNEY, DUSH, GROVE, FEE, HILL-EVANS, KINSEY, TOOIL, R. BROWN, LONGIETTI, ENGLISH, PICKETT, PASHINSKI, COMITTA, WARD, BURNS, HICKERNELL, STAATS, MILLARD, CALTAGIRONE, J. McNEILL, EVERETT, DIGIROLAMO, MENTZER, B. MILLER, WATSON, WARREN, ROEBUCK, BRADFORD, JAMES, HAHN, NEILSON, M. QUINN, STURLA, DOWLING AND CONKLIN, APRIL 6, 2018

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
APRIL 6, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing April 27, 2018, as "Arbor Day," promoting public  
2 participation in the celebration and recognizing the value of  
3 trees to our environment.

4 WHEREAS, Trees are a valuable component of our environment,  
5 providing us with natural aesthetics for landscaping, a  
6 biological tool to control water and wind erosion, a renewable  
7 source of food, fuel and lumber, a habitat for birds and  
8 wildlife and a natural producer of oxygen and water through the  
9 process of transpiration; and

10 WHEREAS, The original "Arbor Day" was observed with the  
11 planting of more than a million trees; and

12 WHEREAS, Scientists, environmentalists, foresters and  
13 government officials throughout the world are increasingly  
14 alarmed about the significant clearing and destruction of the

1 forests and are now exploring the feasibility of large-scale  
2 reforestation programs as a means of preventing possible adverse  
3 climate change such as global warming; and

4 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" has been designated by many states as a  
5 time to recognize the importance of trees to our environment;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" is now celebrated throughout the United  
8 States and in countries around the world; and

9 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" is commonly held on the last Friday of  
10 April; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize April  
12 27, 2018, as "Arbor Day," promote public participation in the  
13 celebration and recognize the value of trees to our environment;  
14 and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives ask that  
16 residents and communities throughout this Commonwealth,  
17 individually and collectively, engage in the celebration of  
18 "Arbor Day" by planting trees in appropriate public places as a  
19 source of future enjoyment and civic pride; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
21 the Governor and the Senate to solicit support for this  
22 recognition.