

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 196 Session of
1991

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PESCI, KREBS, HASAY, KING, MELIO AND BROUJOS, OCTOBER 8, 1991

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, OCTOBER 8, 1991

A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the American Tree Farm
2 System and declaring October 15, 1991, to be "Tree Farm Day."

3 WHEREAS, The first American tree farm began in 1941 with an
4 area about the size of Philadelphia; and

5 WHEREAS, The current American tree farm system encompasses
6 70,000 tree farms producing over 1,000 trees per acre on 95
7 million forest land acres; and

8 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has 1,700 active tree farms producing
9 timber on more than 891,000 acres; and

10 WHEREAS, Tree farms benefit the public by providing cover and
11 foliage for wildlife, aesthetic beauty and a source of oxygen
12 and by helping to maintain water and soil conservation; and

13 WHEREAS, Tree farms remain a resource for the commercial wood
14 and paper market, while providing for our future timber needs;
15 and

1 WHEREAS, Individual tree farm operators enhance the balance
2 of nature by careful harvesting and optimum use of available
3 space, nutrients and water; therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives congratulate the
5 American Tree Farm System on the occasion of its 50th
6 Anniversary of service; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare October
8 15, 1991, to be "Tree Farm Day" within this Commonwealth; and be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend and thank
11 all tree farm operators for their conscientious stewardship of a
12 valuable natural resource and wish them continued success for
13 another 50 years.