## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JUNE 3, 1992

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Congratulating the Chesapeake Bay Foundation on its 25th
- 2 Anniversary.
- 3 WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries are essential
- 4 economic, cultural and environmental resources to the region and
- 5 to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Almost one-half of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 lies in the Susquehanna River watershed which supplies over one-
- 8 half of the fresh water flowing into the Chesapeake Bay; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The condition of Pennsylvania's waterways directly
- 10 affects the health of the Chesapeake Bay; and
- 11 WHEREAS, There is widespread support among Pennsylvania's
- 12 citizens and its public officials for protecting this
- 13 Commonwealth's environment and the Chesapeake Bay; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay Foundation has served for 25
- 2 years as a not-for-profit conservation organization, working to
- 3 "Save the Bay" through programs in environmental education,
- 4 environmental defense and land conservation; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay Foundation has been a tireless
- 6 and effective advocate for the preservation and wise use of the
- 7 Chesapeake Bay and the tributaries that comprise the Bay's
- 8 64,000 square mile watershed, including the Susquehanna River;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay Foundation has maintained an
- 11 office in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, since 1986; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay Foundation has over 80,000
- 13 members and volunteers, more than 10,000 of whom are
- 14 Pennsylvanians; and
- WHEREAS, Numerous students and teachers have participated in
- 16 environmental education programs conducted by the Chesapeake Bay
- 17 Foundation in Pennsylvania, thereby heightening the awareness
- 18 and sensitivity of future generations to the plight and
- 19 complexity of the Chesapeake Bay ecosystem and to Pennsylvania's
- 20 environment; and
- 21 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has demonstrated a
- 22 commitment to the preservation and improvement of the Chesapeake
- 23 Bay and its tributaries by signing an agreement with Maryland,
- 24 Virginia, the District of Columbia and the Federal Government in
- 25 1983 and signing a second, more comprehensive Chesapeake Bay
- 26 Agreement in 1987 and by working with its neighboring
- 27 jurisdictions and private entities in protection efforts; and
- 28 WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay Foundation is an active partner
- 29 with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in mutual efforts to "Save
- 30 the Bay" and help protect Pennsylvania's environment; therefore

- 1 be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania congratulate the Chesapeake Bay
- 4 Foundation on its 25th Anniversary and commend the Chesapeake
- 5 Bay Foundation for its efforts in protecting and preserving the
- 6 Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries and enhancing the
- 7 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's environment.