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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Wildlife Conservation Officer David L.  
2 Grove, who gave his life in service to the Commonwealth on  
3 November 11, 2010.

4 WHEREAS, David L. Grove was born on March 5, 1979, in  
5 Chambersburg, Franklin County, attended Grace Academy in  
6 Hagerstown and earned his bachelor's degree in Wildlife Sciences  
7 from The Pennsylvania State University in 2004; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Grove began his formal employment with the  
9 Pennsylvania Game Commission after completing training and  
10 testing at the Ross Leffler School of Conservation in 2008; and

11 WHEREAS, His success in becoming a Wildlife Conservation  
12 Officer (WCO) fulfilled a long-held and deep conviction that he  
13 would dedicate his professional life to the unique and important  
14 work of the Pennsylvania Game Commission; and

15 WHEREAS, WCO Grove was the proud son of Dana S. and Lucy R.  
16 Grove and learned the lessons of a lifetime secure in the midst  
17 of a strong community and lasting family ties; and

18 WHEREAS, WCO Grove took from his upbringing an admirable call

1 to public service and, in work for the Pennsylvania Game  
2 Commission, found a productive and pleasing way to combine his  
3 generous spirit with his deep interest and vast knowledge of the  
4 outdoors and animal species of this Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, On November 11, 2010, WCO Grove had his life  
6 tragically cut short by an assailant he apprehended while  
7 faithfully fulfilling his duties; and

8 WHEREAS, He faced single-handedly a dangerous but common  
9 circumstance for officers of the Pennsylvania Game Commission  
10 and stopped illegal shooting and made an arrest in a remote part  
11 of Adams County; and

12 WHEREAS, WCO Grove's heroism, after suffering a fatal wound,  
13 even to the taking of his last breath, exemplifies the very best  
14 attributes of public law enforcement everywhere; and

15 WHEREAS, WCO Grove's inspirational actions leave behind for  
16 family, friends and colleagues a legacy of excellence, self-  
17 sacrifice and duty-bound service to Pennsylvania; therefore be  
18 it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the life of  
20 Wildlife Conservation Officer David L. Grove, who gave his life  
21 in service to the Commonwealth on November 11, 2010.