THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 133 Session of 2015

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 2, 2015

A RESOLUTION

Encouraging all residents of this Commonwealth to observe "Earth 1 Day" on April 22, 2015. 2 3 WHEREAS, April 22, 2015, is the 45th celebration of "Earth Day"; and 4 5 WHEREAS, United States Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin 6 created the concept of "Earth Day" to encourage awareness for 7 environmental concerns; and 8 WHEREAS, It has been estimated that every year millions of Americans participate in "Earth Day" activities to promote a 9 10 healthier and cleaner environment; and 11 WHEREAS, The importance of being good stewards of the 12 environment has become a nearly universal belief held by the 13 people of this country and this Commonwealth; and WHEREAS, Protecting the environment is good for our health, 14 our economy and the plants and animals that inhabit this planet 15

1 with us; and

2 WHEREAS, "Earth Day" is a day to contribute to the well-being 3 of our planet; and

WHEREAS, "Earth Day" events and activities are designed to
promote environmentally friendly concepts, such as recycling,
energy efficiency, utilizing environmentally friendly products
and reducing pollution; and

8 WHEREAS, "Earth Day" 2015, with the theme "It's Our Turn to 9 Lead," seeks to find a balance between economic growth and 10 sustainability, encourage world leaders to finally pass a 11 binding climate change treaty and for citizens and organizations 12 to divest from fossil fuels and put their money into renewable 13 energy solutions; and

14 WHEREAS, As we celebrate the 45th anniversary of "Earth Day," 15 we encourage greater environmental awareness in our cities and 16 across this Commonwealth; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all 18 residents of this Commonwealth to observe "Earth Day" on April 19 22, 2015.

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