
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WARREN, ROEBUCK, GOODMAN, MENTZER, BRADFORD AND SCHWEYER,
MARCH 19, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 19, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of April 22 through 28, 2018, as "Earth
2 Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "Earth Day" was first held on April 22, 1970, in
4 response to a growing environmental movement that was concerned
5 about the continued deterioration of natural environments; and

6 WHEREAS, On that first "Earth Day," more than 20 million
7 Americans demonstrated in support of the environment,
8 precipitating the creation of the United States Environmental
9 Protection Agency and the passage of numerous pieces of Federal
10 and State legislation aimed at protecting the environment; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, "Earth Day" is considered to be the largest
12 secular observance in the world and is celebrated by more than 1
13 billion people worldwide; and

14 WHEREAS, The annual observation of "Earth Day" brings
15 together communities, organizations and individuals from around

1 the planet to foster support for environmental initiatives and
2 programs; and

3 WHEREAS, While "Earth Day" remains an important day to focus
4 on the need to protect the environment, many college campuses
5 and environmental groups now dedicate an entire week to "Earth
6 Day" activities and thus unofficially celebrate "Earth Week";
7 and

8 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth would benefit by joining these
9 institutions and organizations in observing "Earth Week" in
10 order to recognize the importance of protecting our planet and
11 create additional conservation-related educational
12 opportunities; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
14 week of April 22 through 28, 2018, as "Earth Week" in
15 Pennsylvania.