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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of October 21 through 27, 1990, as
- 2 "Biodiversity Landscape Event Week."
- 3 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University will hold an
- 4 international event October 22 through 25, 1990, at University
- 5 Park, Pennsylvania titled "BIODIVERSITY AND LANDSCAPES: Human
- 6 Challenges for Conservation in the Changing World"; and
- WHEREAS, The preservation of our landscapes and of plant,
- 8 animal, and microbial diversity is essential for our well-being
- 9 and for all life; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The destruction of our natural and biological
- 11 resources has reached critical proportions and is threatening
- 12 the earth's ability to meet our future needs for food, water,
- 13 and other life-sustaining resources; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The species extinction lowers the overall biological
- 15 diversity of the planet; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Decreases in genetic diversity leave species open to

- 1 decimation by catastrophic events; and
- 2 WHEREAS, While conservation efforts throughout the world
- 3 focus on relatively large animals, researchers agree that
- 4 biodiversity problems are a major concern for plants and
- 5 insects; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University, National Wildlife
- 7 Federation, Pennsylvania Biological Survey, Pennsylvania Fish
- 8 Commission, Pennsylvania Game Commission, Pennsylvania
- 9 Conservation Fund, The Wilderness Society and The World
- 10 Conservation Union support this action; therefore be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That to meet these challenges will require a
- 12 multidisciplinary approach encompassing a wide range of ideas
- 13 and expertise; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That this first-of-its-kind event will provide a
- 15 forum to discuss the history and impact of declining
- 16 biodiversity on human existence; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That the week of October 21 through 27, 1990, be
- 18 proclaimed as "Biodiversity Landscape Event Week" in the
- 19 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.