

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 470 Session of  
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YEWIC AND PETRARCA, MAY 6, 1998

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MAY 6, 1998

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Observing the week of June 1 through 7, 1998, as "National  
2 Fishing Week" and proclaiming June 6, 1998, as "Fish for Free  
3 Day" in Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, Approximately 1.5 million Pennsylvanians fish the  
5 waters of this Commonwealth, making in excess of 26 million  
6 trips to those waters each year; and

7 WHEREAS, The sport of fishing contributes \$1.3 billion of  
8 economic input to this Commonwealth; and

9 WHEREAS, Fishing is an established recreational tradition  
10 rooted deeply in the history of our State and its citizens; and

11 WHEREAS, "National Fishing Week," June 1 through 7, 1998, is  
12 a multifaceted public-private cooperative program designed to  
13 promote recreational fishing and aquatic resource education in  
14 the United States; and

15 WHEREAS, A "Fish for Free Day" provides all Pennsylvanians 16  
16 years of age and older with an opportunity to sample the

1 diversity of fishing opportunities without a fishing license;  
2 therefore be it

3       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives observe the week  
4 of June 1 through 7, 1998, as "National Fishing Week" in  
5 Pennsylvania and encourage residents of this Commonwealth to  
6 take the opportunity to participate in a sport that is truly  
7 universal; and be it further

8       RESOLVED, That Pennsylvania celebrate the 1998 "National  
9 Fishing Week" by declaring June 6 as "Fish for Free Day."