THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 23, 2001

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of April 22 through 28, 2001, as
- 2 "Pennsylvania One Call Week."
- 3 WHEREAS, As excavators and contractors work to keep pace with
- 4 this Commonwealth's ongoing economic development, it is
- 5 important to minimize damage to underground utility lines,
- 6 danger to workers and threat of environmental pollution; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania One Call, Inc., a utility service
- 8 information center, is key to preventing injuries and damage
- 9 when digging; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania One Call System provides easy, one-
- 11 call notification about construction and excavation projects
- 12 that may endanger workers and jeopardize utility lines while
- 13 also promoting public safety, reducing underground utility
- 14 damages, minimizing utility service interruptions and protecting
- 15 the environment; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The One Call System began with only six utility
- 17 companies in Western Pennsylvania and the City of Pittsburgh;

- 1 and
- 2 WHEREAS, The General Assembly, recognizing the value of this
- 3 program, enacted Act 287 of 1974 to require this service in all
- 4 counties within this Commonwealth; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania One Call System now serves more
- 6 than 70,000 contractor members and 1,500 local government,
- 7 authority and utility company members in this Commonwealth; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Each year the Pennsylvania One Call System in this
- 9 Commonwealth transmits more than 2.5 million notifications,
- 10 providing protection to utility companies, their employees and
- 11 customers; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That in recognition of the invaluable service that
- 13 the Pennsylvania One Call System provides, the Senate designate
- 14 the week of April 22 through 28, 2001, as "Pennsylvania One Call
- 15 Week" and encourage all Pennsylvanians to call 1-800-242-1776
- 16 not less than three days before excavation or demolition work to
- 17 avoid injury, protect our environment and prevent millions of
- 18 dollars in damages.