
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 651 Session of
2006

INTRODUCED BY McCALL, LEDERER, BAKER, BARRAR, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, BEYER, BIANCUCCI, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, COHEN, CORRIGAN, CRUZ, DERMODY, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FICHTER, FORCIER, FRANKEL, GABIG, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHART, HERSHEY, JAMES, M. KELLER, MAJOR, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, MCGILL, MCILHATTAN, MILLARD, MUNDY, MUSTIO, MYERS, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PARKER, PAYNE, READSHAW, ROBERTS, ROONEY, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SHANER, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, STABACK, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TIGUE, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, ARGALL, BUNT, CRAHALLA, J. EVANS, GILLESPIE, LEH, PETRARCA, PHILLIPS, SATHER, WILT, WANSACZ AND DALEY, MARCH 15, 2006

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 15, 2006

A RESOLUTION

1 Observing March 31, 2006, as "National Civilian Conservation
2 Corps (CCC) Recognition Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, President Franklin Roosevelt took office when the
4 nation was in severe economic distress and immediately called
5 the 73rd Congress of the United States to session for the
6 explicit purpose of enacting the Emergency Conservation Work Act
7 which created the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC); and

8 WHEREAS, The efficiency with which the act was passed and
9 signed demonstrated great cooperation within the Federal
10 Government; and

11 WHEREAS, The program, which was signed into action on March
12 31, 1933, mobilized young men who otherwise were unemployed and

1 uneducated; and

2 WHEREAS, During the course of the program's near decade of
3 service, more than 3 million young men served in the CCC; and

4 WHEREAS, The program spent \$72 million supporting families of
5 CCC workers and increased revenue in communities on average of
6 \$5,000 monthly; and

7 WHEREAS, More than 40,000 CCC enrollees learned to read and
8 write as a result of their service; and

9 WHEREAS, Not a single part of the United States was
10 unaffected by the dedication of the CCC, as there were CCC camps
11 in all of the states, as well as Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico and
12 the Virgin Islands; and

13 WHEREAS, The CCC's accomplishments consisted of planting an
14 estimated 3 billion trees, building new roads, stringing
15 telephone lines, building fire towers, fighting wildfires,
16 draining floodwater and responding to natural disasters; and

17 WHEREAS, The CCC was active in conservation, including
18 protecting natural habitats, cleaning streams, restocking fish
19 in streams, planting trees, protecting agricultural lands
20 against soil erosion and building dams; and

21 WHEREAS, The CCC's work and the trails and shelters built in
22 Federal and state parks are still used and enjoyed today;
23 therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives observe March 31,
25 2006, as "National Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Recognition
26 Day" in Pennsylvania to honor those who served in the CCC and to
27 promote similar programs in existence today for the benefit of
28 American youths and their families.