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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and congratulating the Student Conservation
2 Association on its 50th anniversary of public service to
3 parks and public lands in the Pittsburgh area, throughout
4 this Commonwealth and across the United States.

5 WHEREAS, Over the past 50 years, the Student Conservation
6 Association has placed high school and college students from
7 this Commonwealth in conservation internships in parks and
8 public lands throughout the nation; and

9 WHEREAS, Founded in 1957 by Elizabeth C. Titus Putnam as part
10 of her senior thesis, the Student Conservation Association,
11 begun with the assistance of Martha Hayne Talbot, provides
12 opportunities for young people to learn about environmental
13 conservation by volunteering in parks and public lands; and

14 WHEREAS, The Student Conservation Association's mission is to
15 build new generations of conservation leaders and inspire
16 lifelong stewardship of the environment and communities by
17 engaging young people through hands-on service; and

18 WHEREAS, Since its founding 50 years ago, the Student

1 Conservation Association has helped to protect vital habitats,
2 threatened wildlife and other at-risk resources in United States
3 parks, forests and urban green spaces; and

4 WHEREAS, It is now the largest student conservation service
5 program in the United States, placing volunteers in all 50
6 states, as well as internationally in Canada, Mexico, Brazil,
7 Germany and Latvia; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2006, the Student Conservation Association had
9 nearly 4,000 student volunteers working 1.6 million service
10 hours, serving 511 sites with 975 resource management partners,
11 including the Gettysburg National Military Park and the
12 Southwestern Pennsylvania Watershed Association; and

13 WHEREAS, The Student Conservation Association has
14 approximately 50,000 alumni, many of whom have dedicated their
15 careers to environmental stewardship and preservation as
16 teachers, resource managers, park rangers and businesspeople;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, The Student Conservation Association has been
19 recognized for its achievements in conservation and youth
20 development by, among others, the White House, the National Park
21 Service, the United States Forest Service, the Wilderness
22 Society, the National Wildlife Federation, the National Fire
23 Plan Council and the Garden Club of America; and

24 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth is home to one of seven regional
25 offices for the Student Conservation Association and works with
26 more than 30 local land management partners from across this
27 Commonwealth; and

28 WHEREAS, More than 20 million people have directly benefited
29 from conservation services organized and directed by the Student
30 Conservation Association; therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize and congratulate the
2 Student Conservation Association on its 50th anniversary of
3 public service to parks and public lands in the Pittsburgh area,
4 throughout this Commonwealth and across the United States.