THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 317 Session of 2010

INTRODUCED BY BRUBAKER, KASUNIC, FONTANA, TOMLINSON, STOUT, MUSTO, FERLO, BAKER, M. WHITE, YAW, O'PAKE, DINNIMAN, COSTA, ARGALL, ALLOWAY, ORIE, GREENLEAF, WAUGH, TARTAGLIONE AND ERICKSON, APRIL 21, 2010

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 21, 2010

A RESOLUTION

1 2 3	Recognizing April 30, 2010, as "Arbor Day"; promoting public participation in the celebration; and further recognizing the value of trees to our environment.
4	WHEREAS, The tree has proved to be a valuable component of
5	our environment by providing us with natural aesthetics for
6	landscaping, a biological tool to control water and wind
7	erosion, a renewable source of food, fuel and lumber for man, a
8	habitat for birds and wildlife, and a natural producer of oxygen
9	and water through the process of transpiration; and
10	WHEREAS, The original "Arbor Day" was observed with the
11	planting of more than a million trees; and
12	WHEREAS, Scientists, environmentalists, foresters and
13	government officials throughout the world are increasingly
14	alarmed about the significant clearing and destruction of the
15	forests of the world and are now exploring the feasibility of
16	large-scale reforestation programs as a means of preventing
17	possible adverse climate change; and

1 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" has been designated by many states as a 2 time to recognize the importance of trees to our environment; 3 and

4 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" is now celebrated throughout the United 5 States and in countries around the world; and

6 WHEREAS, The last Friday in April is commonly held to be the 7 day to celebrate "Arbor Day"; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Senate hereby recognize April 30, 2010, as 9 "Arbor Day"; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Senate ask that citizens and communities 11 throughout this Commonwealth, individually and collectively, 12 engage in the celebration of "Arbor Day" by planting trees in 13 appropriate public places as a source of future enjoyment and 14 civic pride; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be conveyed to the 16 Governor and the House of Representatives to solicit their 17 support of this recognition.

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