## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 448 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY FARINA, KOTIK, HAGGERTY, KORTZ, EMRICK, VEREB,
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DIGIROLAMO, ROCK, BIZZARRO, MILLARD, SONNEY, CALTAGIRONE,
GIBBONS, MUSTIO, BROWNLEE, PASHINSKI, SNYDER, LUCAS, MENTZER,
READSHAW, FLYNN, WATSON, MURT, SANKEY, GINGRICH, FLECK,
KIRKLAND AND C. HARRIS, SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing September 28, 2013, as "National Hunting and Fishing 1 Day" in Pennsylvania. 2 3 WHEREAS, Conserving this Commonwealth's natural and wildlife resources is one of the most important responsibilities we owe 4 5 to future generations; and 6 WHEREAS, Hunters and anglers were among the first 7 conservationists to realize this responsibility when they saw 8 firsthand, more than 100 years ago, how expanding civilization 9 and unregulated exploitation of our natural resources and 10 wildlife caused disastrous declines in species populations in 11 this Commonwealth; and 12 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's hunters and anglers took steps 13 to reverse this trend by supporting laws to stop unregulated 14 exploitation of wildlife and helping to establish game and fish 15 laws for wildlife protection and sound management practices; and 1 WHEREAS, Hunters and anglers also suggested and supported 2 laws to establish special hunting and fishing license fees and 3 taxes on equipment to pay for conservation and protection 4 programs; and

5 WHEREAS, The idea of devoting a special day to honor those individuals who hunt and fish for their leading role in the 6 7 conservation of fish, wildlife and other natural resources originated with a Pennsylvanian, Ira Joffe, of Upper Darby; and 8 9 WHEREAS, Sportsmen have worked the hardest and have paid the 10 most to protect and enhance the natural resources of this State, giving freely of their time and dollars to enhance the riches of 11 12 this Commonwealth's outdoors; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
14 September 28, 2013, as "National Hunting and Fishing Day" in
15 Pennsylvania; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all 17 Pennsylvanians to participate in the activities associated with 18 "National Hunting and Fishing Day."

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