THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 226

Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY MARSICO, ROZZI, DiGIROLAMO, QUIGLEY, KIM, GRELL, HELM, PICKETT, DONATUCCI, HARHART, FREEMAN, HENNESSEY, COHEN, ZIMMERMAN, TALLMAN, LONGIETTI, O'BRIEN, KINSEY, YOUNGBLOOD, PASHINSKI, KILLION, SCHWEYER, SCHREIBER, McNEILL, THOMAS, READSHAW, FARINA, WHEELAND, O'NEILL, MENTZER, BOBACK, REGAN, MILLARD, BARRAR, MARSHALL, VEREB, DUSH, SONNEY, KNOWLES, D. COSTA, CALTAGIRONE, ROSS, WATSON, CUTLER, V. BROWN, GILLEN, JOZWIAK, FEE, GABLER, MAHONEY, GOODMAN, McCARTER, STURLA, EVERETT, MAJOR, GINGRICH, HAHN AND GIBBONS, APRIL 10, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 10, 2015

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing April 24, 2015, as "Arbor Day"; promoting public
- 2 participation in the celebration; and further recognizing the
- 3 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

- 1 forests of the world and are now exploring the feasibility of
- 2 large-scale reforestation programs as a means of preventing a
- 3 possible adverse climate change such as global warming; and
- 4 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" has been designated by many states as a
- 5 time to recognize the importance of trees to our environment;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, "Arbor Day" is now celebrated throughout the United
- 8 States and in countries around the world; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The last Friday in April is commonly held to be the
- 10 day to celebrate "Arbor Day"; therefore be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives hereby recognize
- 12 April 24, 2015, as "Arbor Day"; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives ask that
- 14 residents and communities throughout this Commonwealth,
- 15 individually and collectively, engage in the celebration of
- 16 "Arbor Day" by planting trees in appropriate public places as a
- 17 source of future enjoyment and civic pride; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be conveyed to the
- 19 Governor and the Senate to solicit their support of this
- 20 recognition.