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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 825 Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY SAYLOR, MUSTIO, HENNESSEY, MILLARD, READSHAW,  
ROSS, WARD, BAKER, PICKETT, MURT, STEPHENS, BOBACK,  
PASHINSKI, LONGIETTI, KIRKLAND, HEFFLEY, DUSH, SONNEY, REGAN,  
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WATSON, D. COSTA, NEILSON, CONKLIN, JOZWIAK, SCHLEGEL CULVER,  
WHEELAND, MARSICO, DIGIROLAMO, SCHLOSSBERG, PAYNE, O'BRIEN,  
CALTAGIRONE, MILNE AND BULLOCK, APRIL 25, 2016

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
APRIL 25, 2016

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of May 2016 as "Clean Water Counts Month"  
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is estimated to have more than 83,000  
4 miles of streams, nearly 4,000 lakes and 80 trillion gallons of  
5 groundwater; and

6 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has approximately 19,000 miles of  
7 rivers and streams that do not meet basic water quality  
8 standards as a result of water pollution from a variety of  
9 sources; and

10 WHEREAS, Residents of this Commonwealth rely upon clean water  
11 for drinking, a wealth of recreational activities, tourism and,  
12 for many, their livelihood; and

13 WHEREAS, Preventing pollution of the waters of this  
14 Commonwealth and reclaiming and restoring our waterways is  
15 essential to these purposes; and

1       WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's ability to attract growing businesses  
2 and to provide a healthy environment for residents requires the  
3 prioritization of clean water infrastructure and funding to  
4 ensure the protection of clean water sources for residents of  
5 this Commonwealth; and

6       WHEREAS, Clean water provides greater health, stronger  
7 communities and thriving economies in all regions of our  
8 Commonwealth; and

9       WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognizes the  
10 importance of clean water to the people of Pennsylvania;  
11 therefore be it

12       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
13 month of May 2016 as "Clean Water Counts Month" in Pennsylvania.