THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 3, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating the week of May 3 through 9, 2020, as "Conservation District Week" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, Conservation districts are local units of government
4	established under State law to carry out natural resource
5	management programs; and
6	WHEREAS, Conservation districts work with landowners and
7	local governments to help them manage and protect land and water
8	resources on private and public lands; and
9	WHEREAS, Conservation districts were created in this
10	Commonwealth in 1945 in response to the Dust Bowl of the 1930s
11	to improve soil and water conservation; and
12	WHEREAS, Each county has a conservation district, except for
13	Philadelphia; and
14	WHEREAS, Local municipalities rely on conservation district
15	staff to plan development in a way that conserves and protects
16	the local environment; and
17	WHEREAS, Conservation districts also work with many partners,

including government agencies, private organizations, businesses
 and others to accomplish their mission of supporting and helping
 landowners to conserve natural resources; and

4 WHEREAS, Conservation districts are each led by a volunteer 5 board of directors with farmers, public members and a member of 6 county government; and

7 WHEREAS, The board of directors identifies local conservation
8 needs, decides which programs and services to offer and develops
9 a strategic plan; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of May 3 through 11 9, 2020, as "Conservation District Week" in Pennsylvania.