## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION No. 83 Session of 2019

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REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, APRIL 16, 2019

## A RESOLUTION

1 2	Recognizing the 49th celebration of "Earth Day" on April 22, 2019, in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, On April 22, 1970, United States Senator Gaylord
4	Nelson of Wisconsin created the concept of "Earth Day" to
5	increase public awareness of the world's environmental problems;
6	and
7	WHEREAS, Increasingly, more individuals recognize "Earth Day"
8	each year, but until "Earth Day" is recognized by all
9	individuals, we must continue to spread the word; and
10	WHEREAS, The necessity for individuals to step up and protect
11	the planet is more essential now than ever, especially for the
12	people in the United States and this Commonwealth who believe
13	that protecting the environment is crucial for conserving our
14	health, our economy and all living things that share the planet
15	alongside us; and
16	WHEREAS, All living things have an intrinsic value and each
17	plays a unique role in the complex web of life; and

WHEREAS, The theme of "Earth Day" 2019 is "Protect Our
Species"; and

3 WHEREAS, Many of our declining, threatened and endangered 4 species can still recover and the rate of extinctions can be 5 slowed; and

WHEREAS, The "Earth Day" 2019 campaign sets forth a series of 6 7 goals to aid in the protection of the world's species, which 8 include educating and raising awareness about the rate of extinction of species and the causes and consequences of this 9 10 phenomenon, implementing policies that protect species and their habitats, building and activating a global movement that 11 12 embraces nature and its values and encouraging individual 13 actions such as adopting plant-based diets and stopping 14 pesticide and herbicide use; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the 49th celebration of 16 "Earth Day" on April 22, 2019, in Pennsylvania; and be it 17 further

18 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage the residents of this 19 Commonwealth to help in any way possible to advance and achieve 20 the goals set forth by "Earth Day" 2019 to protect the world's 21 species.

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