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A RESOLUTION

- Designating October 6, 2021, as "Energy Efficiency Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Energy efficiency is the cheapest, quickest and
- 4 cleanest way to meet Pennsylvania's energy needs, avoid
- 5 dangerous pollution and reduce utility bills for residents and
- 6 businesses in our community; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Implementing energy efficiency and other clean
- 8 energy policies and programs can help boost economic
- 9 opportunities and job creation while continuing to move
- 10 Pennsylvania toward a sustainable future; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity
- 12 needed to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant
- 13 emissions that can harm our health, pollute our air and warm our
- 14 climate; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Energy efficiency can move Pennsylvania nearly
- 16 halfway toward emissions reduction goals; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Energy efficiency makes our homes and work spaces
- 18 healthier, safer and more comfortable; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Cutting energy waste saves households in the United
- 2 States billions of dollars on utility bills each year, up to
- 3 \$500 per household from appliance efficiency standards alone;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Improved energy codes for homes and commercial
- 6 buildings also can significantly reduce utility costs and create
- 7 new jobs, and Pennsylvania supports increasing the minimum
- 8 levels of efficiency for new buildings through adoption of a
- 9 stricter code or the model 2021 International Energy
- 10 Conservation Code; and
- 11 WHEREAS, A nationwide network of energy efficiency groups and
- 12 partners has designated the first Wednesday in October as
- 13 national annual "Energy Efficiency Day"; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Together we can continue to contribute to our
- 15 sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency
- 16 and practicing smarter energy use in our daily lives; therefore
- 17 be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate October 6, 2021, as
- 19 "Energy Efficiency Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That the Senate urge the residents of Pennsylvania
- 21 to join the Senate in supporting Pennsylvania's clean energy
- 22 goals and moving toward more energy efficiency now and in the
- 23 future.