
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY COMMITTEE ON SENATE RESOLUTIONS, SENATE COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATION, SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION,
KEARNEY, MUTH, SCHWANK, HAYWOOD AND COSTA, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of September 18 through 24, 2022, as
2 "Climate Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Section 27 of Article I of the Constitution of
4 Pennsylvania declares that "the people have a right to clean
5 air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic,
6 historic and esthetic values of the environment"; and

7 WHEREAS, Climate change is real and human-made and the
8 impacts of climate change jeopardize both the current and future
9 health and well-being of Pennsylvania's citizens and its
10 environment; and

11 WHEREAS, As trustee of the public natural resources of
12 Pennsylvania, the Commonwealth is constitutionally mandated to
13 "conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people,"
14 "including generations yet to come"; and

15 WHEREAS, The consequences of inaction on the climate crisis
16 will be severe and potentially irreversible; and

17 WHEREAS, Climate policy and legislation that protect our
18 environment and our future generations will also create

1 opportunities for new jobs, safe communities and a strong,
2 sustainable economy; and

3 WHEREAS, It is our duty as elected officials to raise
4 awareness of the importance of environmental justice and to
5 protect the interests of all Pennsylvanians, especially those
6 who have historically been forced to bear a disproportionate
7 share of the adverse health, environmental and economic impacts
8 of pollution; and

9 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Legislative Climate Caucus stands
10 with national and global leaders who recognize that the time for
11 climate action is NOW; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of September 18
13 through 24, 2022, as "Climate Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the urgent need for
16 climate action in Pennsylvania with the goal of building a
17 Commonwealth that is stronger and more resilient, equitable and
18 sustainable for present and future generations.