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## A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating the week of September 23 through 29, 2018, as "Clean Energy Week" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, Across this Commonwealth, clean and readily abundant
4	forms of energy are powering more homes and businesses than ever
5	before; and
6	WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is committed to clean and renewable
7	energy that benefits our economy and environment; and
8	WHEREAS, Clean and renewable energy is part of America's
9	energy future and includes generation from multiple renewable
10	resources; and
11	WHEREAS, The clean and renewable energy sector is a growing
12	part of this Commonwealth's economy, growing at a current rate
13	of more than 2% annually, and has been a key driver of economic
14	growth in Pennsylvania in recent years with the number of jobs
15	in the clean and renewable energy sector in Pennsylvania now
16	standing at more than 86,000; and

17 WHEREAS, The production costs of clean and renewable energy

1 are now the lowest in United States history, averaging \$45 per
2 megawatt hour, and are steadily declining as clean and renewable
3 energy technologies continue to improve; and

WHEREAS, These trends, emerging through a broad base of project developers and investors, especially the Pennsylvania banking sector, are making clean and renewable energy projects more accessible than ever before to Pennsylvania farms,

8 communities and local governments; and

9 WHEREAS, With the recent passage of Act 30 of 2018, the 10 Commonwealth's bi-partisan Property Assessed Clean Energy 11 legislation, Pennsylvania's county governments are now 12 positioned to support low-interest financing for small 13 businesses and others in the commercial sector that wish to 14 invest in clean and renewable energy to create jobs and grow the 15 economy of this Commonwealth; and

16 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Defense and its partners in the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans 17 Affairs have, through their efficiency and clean energy 18 19 generation efforts at the Fort Indiantown Gap Warrior Training 20 Grounds, set a new standard for National Guard and Reserve 21 installations across the country and continues to promote national security through the domestic development of clean and 22 23 renewable energy and consequent reductions on imported energy 24 from regimes hostile to the United States; therefore be it 25 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of September 23 26 through 29, 2018, as "Clean Energy Week" in Pennsylvania.

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