THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY HUTCHINSON, AUMENT, ALLOWAY, COSTA, DINNIMAN, EICHELBERGER, GREENLEAF, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, SCAVELLO, SMITH, VOGEL, VULAKOVICH, WHITE AND YAW, APRIL 14, 2015

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 14, 2015

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing April 14, 2015, as "Forest and Paper Products Day" 2 in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, It is important to recognize "Forest and Paper
- 4 Products Day" to remind the residents of this Commonwealth of
- 5 the unique contributions the forest products industry has made
- 6 to the history, texture and quality of life in Pennsylvania; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The first paper mill in the United States was built
- 8 in Pennsylvania in 1690; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Over 10% of this Commonwealth's manufacturing work
- 10 force is involved in the forest products industry, with
- 11 approximately 60,000 Pennsylvanians making a livelihood
- 12 connected to the industry; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Forest products encompass an incredibly wide range
- 14 of products with nearly limitless everyday uses, from
- 15 facilitating education, communications, hygiene, food storage
- 16 and product protection, to providing shelter and homes; and
- 17 WHEREAS, There are over 2,100 separate businesses involved in

- 1 the forest products industry with a presence in every county of
- 2 this Commonwealth; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The industry's responsible stewardship of our
- 4 forests and commitment to sustainable practices are why the
- 5 United States has more forests today than it did 25 years ago;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Forest Products Association was
- 8 created in 1980 to provide a unified voice on State legislative
- 9 and regulatory issues and represents all sectors of the forest
- 10 products industry; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The American Forest and Paper Association is the
- 12 national trade association of the forest products industry; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The American Forest and Paper Association represents
- 14 over 925,000 jobs nationally and advances public policies that
- 15 promote a United States forest products industry that is strong
- 16 and sustainable in the global marketplace; therefore be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize April 14, 2015, as
- 18 "Forest and Paper Products Day" in Pennsylvania.