

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 50TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF EARTH DAY**

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Jon Hawkins**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This concurrent resolution recognizes the 50th anniversary of Earth Day.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution:

- ▶ recognizes the growing significance of Earth Day around the world and in Utah;
- ▶ urges support for the goals of Earth Day to protect and sustain the unique valuable environmental resources of Utah; and

- ▶ recognizes Utah's business community efforts in promoting and taking action towards improved environmental sustainability.

**Special Clauses:**

None

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

WHEREAS, Earth Day was first celebrated in the United States on April 22, 1970;

WHEREAS, since founded, Earth Day has become a globally recognized celebration of the need to demonstrate support for environmental protection;

WHEREAS, Earth Day is celebrated by over one billion people, making it the largest secular holiday in the world;

WHEREAS, April 22, 2020, is Earth Day's 50th anniversary;



28           WHEREAS, over 50 businesses in Utah have pledged to make measurable positive  
29 changes towards becoming more sustainable in 2020;

30           WHEREAS, businesses are also engaging in service projects during the month of April  
31 2020, in support of Earth Day goals towards a more sustainable environment; and

32           WHEREAS, Earth Day is important to the citizens and businesses of Utah as a means  
33 of reinforcing the importance of responsible stewardship of the earth's resources including  
34 clean air, outdoor recreation opportunities, land conservation, water scarcity and availability,  
35 and wildlife habitat restoration and conservation:

36           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the  
37 Governor concurring therein, emphasize and urge support of the goals of Earth Day to protect  
38 and sustain the unique, valuable environmental resources of Utah.

39           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor recognize Utah's  
40 business community for their efforts in promoting and taking action towards improved  
41 environmental sustainability.