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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY YAW, VOGEL, SAVAL, MARTIN, J. WARD, BROOKS, BROWN,  
HUGHES, HAYWOOD, COMITTA, SCHWANK, STEFANO AND HUTCHINSON,  
APRIL 17, 2026

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 17, 2026

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of April 26 through May 2, 2026, as  
2 "Conservation District Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Conservation districts are local units of government  
4 established under State law to carry out natural resource  
5 management programs; and

6 WHEREAS, Conservation districts work with landowners and  
7 local governments to help them manage and protect land and water  
8 resources on private and public lands; and

9 WHEREAS, Conservation districts were created in this  
10 Commonwealth in 1945 in response to the Dust Bowl of the 1930s  
11 to improve soil and water conservation; and

12 WHEREAS, Each county has a conservation district, except for  
13 Philadelphia; and

14 WHEREAS, Local municipalities rely on conservation district  
15 staff to plan development in a way that conserves and protects  
16 the local environment; and

17 WHEREAS, Conservation districts also work with many partners,

1 including government agencies, private organizations, businesses  
2 and others to accomplish their mission of supporting and helping  
3 landowners to conserve natural resources; and

4 WHEREAS, Conservation districts are each led by a volunteer  
5 board of directors with farmers, public members and a member of  
6 county government; and

7 WHEREAS, The board of directors identifies local conservation  
8 needs, decides which programs and services to offer and develops  
9 a strategic plan; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of April 26  
11 through May 2, 2026, as "Conservation District Week" in  
12 Pennsylvania.