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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to article one of the Constitution of the  
2 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania providing for the preservation  
3 and restoration of our natural resources.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of  
7 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with  
8 the provisions of the eleventh article thereof:

9 That article one of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of  
10 Pennsylvania be amended by adding a section to read:

11 Section 27. Natural Resources and the Public Estate.--The  
12 people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the  
13 preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic ←  
14 values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural  
15 resources are the common property of all the people, including

1 generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the  
2 Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of  
3 all the people.