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Earth Science Week

Whereas, Geology and the other earth sciences are fundamental to the safety, health and welfare of the citizens of Michigan; and,

Whereas, The earth sciences are integral to conserving, finding and developing water, mineral and energy resources needed for Michigan's continuing prosperity; and,

Whereas, The earth sciences provide the basis for preparing for and mitigating natural hazards such as floods, landslides, earthquakes, sinkholes and shoreline erosion; and,

Whereas, The earth sciences are crucial to environmental and ecological issues ranging from water and air quality to waste disposal; and,

Whereas, Geological factors of resources, hazards and environment are vital to land management and land use decisions in Michigan; and,

Whereas, The earth sciences contribute directly to our understanding and appreciation of and our respect for Michigan's natural heritage; and now therefore be it,

Resolved, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby proclaim the week of October 14, 2007, as Earth Science Week in Michigan.

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