

Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

EARTH SCIENCE WEEK October 8-14, 2017

WHEREAS, the American Geosciences Institute has designated the theme for 2017's Earth Science Week as "Earth and Human Activity"; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's settlement, transportation and industrial history were largely controlled by geology and geography, and have left their marks on the landscape; and

WHEREAS, human activity continues to affect the land, water, air, and biosphere of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the Earth Sciences are integral for discovering, developing and conserving the valuable energy, mineral and water resources needed for Pennsylvania's continued prosperity, and recognizing geologic hazards which threaten our residents; and

WHEREAS, Earth Sciences provide the basic information and understanding that are crucial to environmental and ecological issues relating to the beneficial use and protection of Pennsylvania's land and water resources; and

WHEREAS, understanding our geology is vital for the management of natural resources, hazards and the environment in the Commonwealth.

THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim October 8-14, 2017 as EARTH SCIENCE WEEK. I urge all Pennsylvania's geoscientists to join with their colleagues to provide assistance to communities and schools in understanding the interactions of Earth and human activity in Pennsylvania.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this twenty-first day of September in the year of the Commonwealth the two hundred and forty-second.