

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 75

Reps. Cherry, Brabec, Sneller, Breen, Cherry, Clemente, Garza, Haadsma, Hope, Kuppa, Morse, Rabhi, Sabo, Shannon, Sowerby, Stone, Weiss, Whitsett and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to recognize March 30, 2021, as the centennial  
2 anniversary of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

3       Whereas, On March 30th, 1921, the Michigan Department of  
4 Conservation was created to manage the state's bodies of water,  
5 parks, wildlife, and forests; and

6       Whereas, The Michigan Department of Conservation has been  
7 renamed to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources; and

8       Whereas, The DNR has systematically restored our resources,  
9 successfully reintroducing turkey, elk, and moose, and pulling the  
10 Kirtland Warblers from the edge of extinction are amongst some of  
11 the organization's successes; and

1       Whereas, Michigan is known for taking care of its great  
2 outdoors where fish, wildlife, and forests thrive and opportunities  
3 to enjoy and connect to nature and our state's heritage are diverse  
4 and plentiful; and

5       Whereas, Michigan has the longest U.S. freshwater coastline  
6 which is the second-longest coastline of any state; and

7       Whereas, In Michigan, you're never more than 6 miles from a  
8 body of water or 85 miles from a Great Lake; and

9       Whereas, The Michigan Department of Natural Resources manages  
10 the largest state forest system in the eastern United States; and

11       Whereas, Michigan's two scenic peninsulas provide 8 million  
12 acres of public hunting land, including 4.5 million acres managed  
13 by the DNR; and

14       Whereas, The Michigan Department of Natural Resources  
15 supports the state's tourism and mineral sectors of the economy,  
16 both of which help fund our state parks; and

17       Whereas; This year marks the centennial anniversary of the  
18 Michigan Department of Natural Resources; and

19       Whereas, Generations of Michiganders and visitors love these  
20 precious wild places, creating dozens of fond memories; now,  
21 therefore, be it

22       Resolved by the House of Representative, That the members of  
23 this legislative body recognize March 30, 2021, as the centennial  
24 anniversary of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources; and be  
25 it further

26       Resolved, That we shall hold dear the treasured memories and  
27 cherished experiences given to us by our state parks.