
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 964 Session of
2018

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 7, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Loyalsock Creek, flowing from the Endless
2 Mountain region of Pennsylvania in Sullivan and Bradford
3 Counties through Lycoming County to the West Branch of the
4 Susquehanna River, as the "2018 River of the Year."

5 WHEREAS, Since 1983, the Department of Conservation and
6 Natural Resources and the Pennsylvania Organization for
7 Watersheds and Rivers recognizes one body of water in this
8 Commonwealth as the River of the Year; and

9 WHEREAS, This annual honor highlights the numerous rivers and
10 streams in this Commonwealth, and recognizes the many dedicated
11 individuals who fight to protect them; and

12 WHEREAS, Nominations are based on the needs and successes of
13 state waterways, as well as celebration plans should the nominee
14 be voted River of the Year; and

15 WHEREAS, Home to legions of paddlers, anglers and other
16 outdoors enthusiasts in northcentral Pennsylvania, Loyalsock
17 Creek was voted the "2018 River of the Year"; and

18 WHEREAS, The Loyalsock Creek is a 64-mile-long picturesque

1 stream flowing through Worlds End State Park, a highly popular
2 destination State park encompassing 780 acres, and Loyalsock
3 Trail, a well-treked 59-mile trail providing vistas overlooking
4 the stream below; and

5 WHEREAS, The Loyalsock Creek provides a cold water habitat
6 for trout and aquatic life, as well as a natural environment for
7 the Eastern Hellbender, the largest native amphibian that can
8 grow more than two feet in length; and

9 WHEREAS, Public awareness of the Loyalsock's value will be
10 increased and initiatives along the waterway river will be
11 underscored by the creek being designated "2018 River of the
12 Year"; and

13 WHEREAS, The designation will serve to enhance access to the
14 stream, increase tourism and provide additional land and water-
15 based recreational opportunities for area residents and visitors
16 alike; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
18 Loyalsock Creek, flowing from the Endless Mountain region of
19 Pennsylvania in Sullivan and Bradford Counties through Lycoming
20 County to the West Branch of the Susquehanna River, as the "2018
21 River of the Year."