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DELAWARE STATE SENATE  
145th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10

OBSERVING WEDNESDAY APRIL 22, 2009 AS EARTH DAY AND HONORING THE WILMINGTON BLUE ROCKS FOR PROMOTING AWARENESS ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE AND OUR ENVIRONMENT AS THEY CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH "GO GREEN NIGHT".

1 WHEREAS, Earth Day is observed each year on April 22<sup>nd</sup> by more than 500 million people in over 175 countries  
2 worldwide; and

3 WHEREAS, according to the nonprofit group, "Earth Day Network", which coordinates Earth Day activities  
4 worldwide, Earth Day is now the largest secular holiday in the world, celebrated by more than a half billion people; and

5 WHEREAS, Earth Day was created as means of increasing public awareness about the effects of climate change  
6 on Earth, as well as a way to promote civic engagement in local communities for purposes of developing strategies and  
7 activities toward a more sustainable lifestyle; and

8 WHEREAS, the first Earth Day celebration in 1970 has been credited with helping to increase awareness at the  
9 federal level, leading to the passage of the Clean Air Act, and creation of the Environmental Protection Agency; and

10 WHEREAS, since the first celebration of Earth Day in 1970, countless municipal and state laws have been passed  
11 aimed at protecting our environment; and

12 WHEREAS, in recent years increased knowledge of climate change and its causes has resulted in placing  
13 environmental awareness and the need for sustainable living at the forefront of policy discussion at the federal, state and  
14 local levels of government; and

15 WHEREAS, the promotion of Earth Day and its purpose will come from all forms of Government and leaders in  
16 our communities; and

17 WHEREAS, since 1993, the Wilmington Blue Rocks have become leaders in our local community, both on and  
18 off the baseball field, offering programs and financial support to help children stay out of trouble, to become leaders in the  
19 community, and to develop a interest in baseball; and

20 WHEREAS, the Wilmington Blue Rocks are recognized as having one of the highest winning percentages in all  
21 of minor league baseball, appearing in the post-season 13 of the past 16 seasons; and

22 WHEREAS, the Wilmington Blue Rocks will join a half a billion people around the world in celebrating Earth  
23 Day with “Go Green” night on Wednesday April 22, 2009, at Frawley Stadium;

24 NOW, THEREFORE:

25 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the 145<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the State of Delaware that the members do  
26 hereby observe Wednesday, April 22, 2009, as Earth Day and honor the Wilmington Blue Rocks for their willingness to  
27 participate in Earth Day by hosting “Go Green” night.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wilmington Blue Rocks are to be commended for serving as one of our  
29 local leaders in the campaign to educate our community about climate change and to promote environmental awareness.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, upon its adoption suitably prepared copies of this resolution be presented to  
31 the Wilmington Blue Rocks.

#### SYNOPSIS

This Resolution honors the Wilmington Blue Rocks for celebrating Earth Day on Wednesday April 22, 2009 by hosting “Go Green” night.

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