



GENERAL COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

OBSERVANCES OF  
 THE GREAT AND

ENVIRONMENT DAY

*"Priorities For The Environment  
 For The Seventies,"*



The Keynote Speaker

UNITED STATES SENATOR  
 GAYLORD NELSON

(D-Wisconsin)

- Chairman, Senate Monopoly Subcommittee
- Member, Senate Committees on Interior Labor and Public Welfare, and Small Business.
- Former Wisconsin State Senator
- Former Governor of the State of Wisconsin

Senator Nelson's national legislative achievements span a spectrum of social issues, including environmental matters. He is a Congressional co-sponsor of Earth Day. He has introduced into the Congress an environmental amendment to the Constitution and has initiated action to save the Great Lakes. He is also the author of a comprehensive legislative program designed to combat all forms of water pollution.



WISCONSIN  
 HISTORICAL  
 SOCIETY

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL LEGISLATION  
 RECENTLY PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT

- 1965 Protection of 45,000 acres under the Coastal Wetlands Act.  
 Elimination of certain uncontrolled dredging and filling under the Inland Wetlands Act.
- 1966 The Water Pollution Abatement package: establishment and funding.  
 Phase I of Recreational development: Passage of a thirteen million dollar bond issue.
- 1967 The Water Pollution Control Act.  
 A forty five percent upgrading in the salary schedule of the Department of Natural Resources.
- 1968 Limitation of offshore oil exploration and control of oil spillage.  
 Phase II of Recreational development: Passage of a fifteen million dollar bond issue.
- 1969 Protection of the Appalachian Trail.  
 Establishment of conservation easements.



*"Welcome!"*



We extend our thanks for your continued involvement and especially for your attendance this Tuesday and Wednesday as the General Court meets

April 21 in joint session to  
 hear Senator Gaylord Nelson and  
 April 22 in joint constitutional  
 convention to act upon certain  
 crucial human matters.

*Thomas A. Donohue* President of the Senate  
*David M. Barthley* Speaker of the House