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S. J. RES. 62

To designate the week beginning April 25, 1993, as “National Crime Victims’ Rights Week”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. THURMOND) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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“National Crime Victims’ Rights Week”.

Whereas there were over thirty-five million crimes committed last year in America, with one violent crime occurring every seventeen seconds;

Whereas victims of crime across America deserve respect and assistance not only from the criminal justice system, but from society as well;

Whereas there is a crucial need to provide crime victims with quality programs and services to help them recover from the devastating psychological, physical, emotional, and financial hardships resulting from their victimization;

Whereas there are ten thousand public and private agencies and organizations in the United States that are dedicated to improving the plight of crime victims;

Whereas the Nation's victims' rights movement and allied professions deserve recognition for their tireless efforts on behalf of victims of crime and to reduce senseless violence in America; and

Whereas it is essential for all Americans to join together and commit their individual and collective resources to victim assistance and violence reduction: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the week beginning April 25, 1993, is hereby des-
4 ignated as "National Crime Victims' Rights Week". The
5 President is authorized and requested to issue a proclama-
6 tion calling upon the people of the United States to ob-
7 serve the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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