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Joint Resolution

Oct. 28, 1986
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To designate October 23, 1986, as "National Kidney Program Day".

Whereas, the tens of thousands of Americans suffering from irreversible kidney disease are treated by Medicare's End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Program;

Whereas, this program has assured that every American suffering from otherwise fatal kidney failure has access to lifesaving dialysis or transplantation therapy;

Whereas, ESRD beneficiaries may remain economically productive and are able to continue to make irreplaceable contributions to family, community and country;

Whereas, this extraordinarily successful program has a special significance as an example of the power of partnership between Government and the healthcare industry in dealing with catastrophic illness; and

Whereas, this partnership has achieved economy in health services without compromising quality of care or social responsibility: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized and requested to designate the day of October 23, 1986, as National Kidney Program Day and call upon the Federal, State, and local government agencies and the people of the United States to observe such day with the appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Approved October 28, 1986.

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