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Joint Resolution

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[S.J. Res. 357]

To designate the week of September 15, 1986, through September 21, 1986, as "National Historically Black Colleges Week".

Whereas there are one hundred and one Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the United States;

Whereas such colleges and universities provide the quality education so essential to full participation in a complex, highly technological society;

Whereas black colleges and universities have a rich heritage and have played a prominent role in American history;

Whereas such institutions have allowed many underprivileged students to attain their full potential through higher education; and

Whereas the achievements and goals of the Historically Black Colleges are deserving of national recognition: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the week of September 15, 1986, through September 21, 1986, is designated as "National Historically Black Colleges Week" and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States and interested groups to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs, thereby demonstrating support for Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the United States.

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