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Joint Resolution

To designate the week of October 11, 1987, through October 17, 1987, as "National Job Skills Week".

Oct. 14, 1987
[S.J. Res. 72]

Whereas one of the most critical problems facing the Nation is to foster the development of a national work force that can meet the challenges of today and tomorrow;

Whereas work in the United States is undergoing rapid and profound change;

Whereas advances in technology will require new skills not now held by the national work force;

Whereas it is predicted that through the remainder of this century, businesses will experience a shortage of entry level skilled workers;

Whereas the skills of many young adults and teenagers are inadequate to perform jobs that are becoming available, thereby contributing to a much greater than normal unemployment rate among young people;

Whereas the ability to maintain a competitive and productive edge necessary for a strong economy and relatively high standard of living are dependent on the national work force;

Whereas the productivity and ability of the Nation to compete in a world economy are dependent on the national work force; and

Whereas a National Job Skills Week can serve to highlight the many changes that are underway in the workplace which have necessitated the learning of new skills, concentrate attention on private and public job training efforts, and bring attention to present and future work force needs: 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 October 11, 1987, through October 17, 1987, is designated as "National Job Skills 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 programs and activities.

Approved October 14, 1987.

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