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[H.J. Res. 338]

Designating October 15, 1987, as "National Safety Belt Use Day".

Whereas safety belts and child safety seats have proven to be effective in reducing highway fatalities and injuries;
Whereas the legislatures of 29 States and the District of Columbia have recognized the benefits of safety belt use and enacted safety belt use laws;
Whereas child safety seat laws are in effect in all of the States;
Whereas as a result of these laws and other activities, millions of Americans are regularly wearing safety belts and using child safety seats;
Whereas the universal use of these safety systems would prevent thousands of fatalities and injuries each year;
Whereas the use of safety belts and child safety seats should be encouraged even as passive restraint systems are phased into the vehicle fleet;
Whereas numerous public interest and safety organizations are working to encourage more extensive use of safety belts and child safety seats; and
Whereas the law enforcement community has played an essential role in encouraging the more widespread use of safety belts and child safety seats: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That October 15, 1987, is designated as "National Safety Belt Use Day", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to wear safety belts and have their children use child safety seats, and encouraging public safety and law enforcement agencies to promote greater usage of these essential safety devices.

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