Joint Resolution

To designate the week of September 23–30, 1988, as “National American Indian Heritage Week”.

Whereas American Indians were the original inhabitants of the territories that now constitute the United States of America;
Whereas American Indians and their descendents have made many essential contributions to our nation;
Whereas the citizens of the United States should be reminded of the assistance given to our Founding Fathers by the native Americans;
Whereas the citizens of the United States should be aware of the present relationship between the American Indians and the United States; and
Whereas the last week in September begins the harvest season in the United States: 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 23–30, 1988, is designated as “National American Indian Heritage Week”. The President is authorized and requested to call upon Federal, State, and local governments, interested groups and organizations, and the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.