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Joint Resolution

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Designating June 5-11, 1988, as "National NHS—NeighborWorks Week".

Whereas Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS) and its affiliated partnership organizations of neighborhood residents, local governments, and businesses all comprise the NeighborWorks Network;

Whereas the NeighborWorks Network is successfully revitalizing declining neighborhoods and building and rehabilitating housing for lower income Americans in 137 cities throughout the United States;

Whereas America's neighborhoods are made up of families of a variety of ethnic, social, and economic backgrounds and such diversity is fundamental to a strong nation;

Whereas deterioration of a neighborhood's physical, economic, and social structures harms the neighborhood's homes, businesses, and residents and especially harms the neighborhood's elderly and poor residents;

Whereas reversing such deterioration is essential to the strength of America's families, neighborhoods, and businesses;

Whereas the NeighborWorks Network has generated over $4,000,000,000 in reinvestment funds for 297 declining neighborhoods and has improved the quality of life of over 3 million individuals, the majority of whom are lower income, elderly, or minority Americans;

Whereas more than 3,000 businesses and local governments are annually contributing over $16,000,000 to the operations of their local NeighborWorks partnerships; and

Whereas, to accomplish their goals, NHS and both Apartment Improvement Programs and Mutual Housing Associations in the NeighborWorks partnerships rely on local government and private sector resources and on the help of thousands of volunteers who contribute millions of hours of service to rebuild America's declining neighborhoods: Now, therefore, be it

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Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That June 5-11, 1988, is designated as "National NHS—NeighborWorks Week" and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon all government agencies and the people of the United States to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Approved March 23, 1988.

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