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Joint Resolution

May 10, 1988
[S.J. Res. 59]

To designate the month of May, 1988 as "National Foster Care Month".

Whereas there are more than 250,000 licensed foster families in the United States who temporarily provide guidance, emotional support, food, shelter, and nurture to children who cannot remain in their own home;

Whereas foster parents devotedly and unselfishly open their home and family life to children in need;

Whereas foster parents are a vital part in permanency planning to protect the best interests of a foster child;

Whereas foster parents work cooperatively with human service agencies and biological parents to strengthen family life;

Whereas foster parents must have the commitment of the national, State and local communities in terms of funding, support, and training; and

Whereas the National Foster Parent Association holds its annual training conference during the month of May, 1987: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the month of May, 1988 is designated as "National Foster Care Month". The President is requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved May 10, 1988.

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