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To designate the week of October 8, 1989, through October 14, 1989, as "National Job Skills Week".

Whereas the ability to maintain an internationally competitive and productive economy and a high standard of living depends on the development and utilization of new technologies;

Whereas new technologies require skills that are currently lacking in the national workforce;

Whereas experts in both the public and private sectors predict that a shortage of skilled entry-level workers will exist through the remainder of this century;

Whereas young people in the United States are experiencing higher than normal unemployment rates because many of them lack the skills necessary to perform the entry-level jobs that are currently available;

Whereas these young people will continue to experience higher than normal unemployment rates unless they develop the skills necessary to perform the entry-level jobs that become available;

Whereas American workers who face dislocation due to plant closures and industrial relocation need special training and education to prepare for new jobs and new opportunities; and

Whereas a National Job Skills Week can serve to focus attention on present and future workforce needs, to encourage public and private cooperation in job training and educational efforts, and to highlight the technological changes underway in the workplace: 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 8, 1989, through October 14, 1989, is designated as "National Job Skills Week", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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