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Joint Resolution

To proclaim March 19, 1982, "National Energy Education Day".

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Whereas inexpensive and abundant energy permitted our great Nation to rise to a position of preeminence in the world community of nations; and

Whereas events of recent years have shown that our growing dependence on foreign energy supplies present a serious threat to the national security of the United States and to the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

Whereas the development of new technologies to increase supplies and efficient use of traditional domestic and renewable energy resources promise to reduce our dependence on insecure and financially draining foreign energy supplies; and

Whereas these fundamental changes require the update of our educational system at all grade levels to prepare our youth to meet the new demands which are being created; and

Whereas the celebration of National Energy Education Day (NEED) will bring together students, teachers, school officials, and community members, to focus attention, during the past year, on the growth of an energy educated public, both young and old; and

Whereas NEED must also prompt additional efforts for the upcoming year which will demonstrate that to ignore the plight of an energy shortfall and to fail to seek sound remedies would be an error: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That March 19, 1982, is proclaimed "National Energy Education Day" to expedite and enhance energy education programs in schools, both public and private, at all grade levels, and the President is authorized and requested to (a) issue a proclamation calling upon the general public

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and educational institutions of the United States to observe this day with appropriate activities and ceremonies, and (b) to send suitable engrossed copies to all of the Nation's Governors and Members of Congress, and (c) to direct all appropriate Federal agencies to cooperate with and participate in the celebration of "National Energy Education Day".

Approved December 29, 1981.

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