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Joint Resolution

Nov. 17, 1983
[H.J. Res. 383]

To designate the week beginning November 6, 1983, as "Florence Crittenton Mission Week".

Whereas in 1883 Charles Crittenton of New York opened his first rescue mission to reverse society's punitive attitude toward outcast young women;

Whereas in 1898 the National Florence Crittenton Mission was the first of its kind to be chartered by Congress;

Whereas the Florence Crittenton Mission has achieved remarkable success, in the words of the original congressional charter, in aiding young women to "seek reformation of character . . . (and) to reach positions of honorable self-support";

Whereas the Florence Crittenton Mission has achieved distinction in providing a wide range of services, from residential care to career counseling, for troubled young women; and

Whereas the Florence Crittenton Mission has grown to a network of 39 agencies in 26 States, serving thousands of young women: Now, therefore, be it

Florence Crittenton Mission Week.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the week beginning November 6, 1983, is designated as "Florence Crittenton Mission Week". The President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved November 17, 1983.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.J. Res. 383:

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