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Joint Resolution

Designating the week of May 27, 1984, through June 2, 1984, as "National Animal Health Week".

May 25, 1984
[H.J. Res. 526]

Whereas tremendous progress has been made in the past one hundred years to advance the health and productivity of America's livestock industry and protect America's animals and pets through research, cooperative endeavor, and the use of sound, scientific, and humane principles;

Whereas the commemoration of one hundred years of commitment to animal health by the United States, dating from May 29, 1884, when Congress created the former Bureau of Animal Industry, is appropriate;

Whereas achievements by the Bureau and its successor organizations within the United States Department of Agriculture and their cooperators in several States have contributed immeasurably to America having the healthiest livestock in the world;

Whereas the Bureau and its successor organizations have a proud history of working with producers, cooperating State agencies, the veterinary profession, and the scientific community to wipe out animal plagues and to assure an abundant supply of safe, wholesome animal protein for American consumers; and

Whereas it is desirable to give the American public a better appreciation of the advances in animal health that contribute to the well-being of man as well as beast and likewise give them an appreciation of the role of healthy animals and pets in this country's past, present, and future: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating the seven-day period beginning on May 27, 1984, as "National Animal Health Week" and to invite the Governors of the States, officials of local governments, and the people of the United States to observe that week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved May 25, 1984.

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