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Joint Resolution

Apr. 19, 1985
[S.J. Res. 17]

To authorize and request the President to issue a proclamation designating April 21 through April 28, 1985, as "Jewish Heritage Week".

Whereas the Congress recognizes that an understanding of the heritage of all American ethnic groups contributes to the unity of our country; and

Whereas intergroup understanding can be further fostered through an appreciation of the culture, history, and traditions of the Jewish community and the contributions of Jews to our country and society; and

Whereas the months of March, April, and May contain events of major significance in the Jewish calendar—Passover, the anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, Israeli Independence Day, Solidarity Sunday for Soviet Jewry, and Jerusalem Day: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating April 21 through April 28, 1985, as "Jewish Heritage Week" and calling upon the people of the United States, State and local government agencies, and interested organizations to observe that week with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs.

Approved April 19, 1985.

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