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Joint Resolution

To designate the week of May 12, 1985, through May 18, 1985, as "Senior Center Week".

May 15, 1985
[S.J. Res. 60]

Whereas local communities support over eight thousand senior centers and there is hardly a city or town without one;

Whereas senior centers affirm the dignity, self-worth, and independence of older persons by facilitating their decisions and action, tapping their experiences, skills, and knowledge, and enabling their continued contribution to the community;

Whereas senior centers, encouraged and supported by the Older Americans Act, function as service delivery focal points, helping older persons to help themselves and each other, and offering service or access to community services as needed;

42 USC 3001 note.

Whereas the national theme for Senior Center Week is "Senior Centers are Wellness Centers", and senior centers nationwide are viewed as centers to promote the well-being of older persons—emotionally and physically; and

Whereas the month of May has historically been proclaimed Older Americans Month, and communities across the country are giving special recognition to older persons and the role of senior centers in serving them: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the second week in May, May 12 through May 18, 1985, is designated as "Senior Center Week" and the President is authorized and requested to include this designation of Senior Center Week as part of the proclamation for Older Americans Month, calling upon the people of the United States to honor older Americans and these local organizations that bring together activities and services for their benefit.

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