107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 328

Designating the week of September 22 through September 28, 2002, as "National Parents Week".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 19, 2002

Mr. DeWine (for himself and Mr. Voinovich) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas parents play an indispensable role in the rearing of their children;
- Whereas good parenting is a time consuming, emotionally demanding task that is essential not only to the health of a household but to the well-being of our Nation;
- Whereas without question, the future of our Nation depends largely upon the willingness of mothers and fathers, however busy or distracted, to embrace their parental responsibilities and to vigilantly watch over and guide the lives of their children;
- Whereas mothers and fathers must strive tirelessly to raise children in an atmosphere of decency, discipline, and de-

votion, where encouragement abounds and where kindness, affection, and cooperation are in plentiful supply;

Whereas the journey into adulthood can be perilous and lonely for a child without stability, direction, and emotional support;

Whereas children benefit enormously from parents with whom they feel safe, secure, and valued, and in an environment where parent and child alike can help one another achieve joy and fulfillment on a variety of levels; and

Whereas a safe and secure domestic climate contributes significantly to a child's development into a healthy, well-adjusted adult, and it is imperative that the general population not underestimate the favorable impact that positive parenting can have on society as a whole: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates the week of September 22 3 through September 28, 2002, as "National Parents 4 Week"; and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe that week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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