

Shirley Chisholm once commented, "There is little place in the political scheme of things for an independent, creative personality, for a fighter. Anyone who takes that role must pay a price." Mr. Speaker, I believe obscurity is too high a price for Mrs. Chisholm to have to pay. We all owe her a debt of gratitude for the work that she's done to advance the causes of all Americans and for that legacy our country will be eternally grateful.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION
TO HONOR THE CHILDREN OF
AMERICA

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today my fellow colleague from Colorado, Rep-

resentative BEAUPREZ, and I are again introducing a resolution to honor this Nation's children and express the desire to mark the first Wednesday in March as National Children's Day.

The resolution expresses the sense of the House of Representatives urging the President to proclaim that the first Wednesday of March each year should be named National Children's Day in honor of the future generations of our country.

The Great Sioux Nation can be used as a role model to lawmakers in America as we debate any bill here on the floor of the House of Representatives. They place a high value on the children of the tribe, as they represent the future of the tribe. When important decisions are being made, the Sioux always discussed what the impact of the decision would be, not on the current generation, or the next generation, but the seventh generation out.

The Sioux Nation placed a priority on the future of the tribe, through its children. I believe that it is important that we, as lawmakers, keep the importance of our future in mind as we make decisions everyday here in Congress.

In that spirit, I believe this legislation is fitting as it honors the importance of our Nation's children and the role that we as adults have in the upbringing of a child. Through special attention from the adults in a child's life, that child is more likely to experience success throughout their life. This resolution urges adults to set aside time throughout the day to support a child in their life or community.

I urge my colleagues to support this resolution, and spend some time with a child in their lives.