Designating July 19, 1990, as "Flight Attendant Safety Professionals' Day".

Whereas Federal aviation regulations, since 1952, have required flight attendants on board all commercial airlines to safeguard the well-being of passengers;

Whereas flight attendants are trained to respond to medical emergencies and have assisted in saving passengers' lives in emergencies caused by strokes, heart attacks, and so forth;

Whereas flight attendants' professionalism and calmness in evacuations of crashed airplanes have saved thousands of lives that otherwise would have been lost;

Whereas flight attendants have given their lives to save passengers in emergency evacuations, sustaining an on-the-job fatality rate higher than that of police officers;

Whereas flight attendants have assisted in hundreds of in-flight emergencies due to hijackings, terrorist acts, decompressions, and severe turbulence; and

Whereas flight attendants have vigorously strived for safety improvements at their airlines and the Federal Aviation Administration and have worked diligently to educate the flying public of safety procedures: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That July 19, 1990, is designated as "Flight Attendant Safety Professionals' Day", and the President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved July 8, 1990.

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