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## Joint Resolution

Oct. 6, 1994

[H.J. Res. 363]

To designate October 1994 as "Crime Prevention Month".

Whereas crime prevention improves the quality of life in every community;

Whereas crime prevention is a cost-effective answer to the problems caused by crime, drug abuse, and fear of crime;

Whereas crime prevention is central to a sound criminal justice system at National, State, and local levels;

Whereas millions of citizens have demonstrated that by working together, they can reduce crime, drug abuse, and fear of crime;

Whereas all people of the United States, from preschoolers to senior citizens, can help themselves, their families, and their neighborhoods prevent crime and build safer more caring communities;

Whereas all kinds of community organizations (including individuals, law enforcement, other State and local agencies, civic and community groups, religious institutions, schools, and businesses) have vital roles to play in reducing crime and building safer, more vibrant communities;

Whereas it is important to honor annually those throughout society who work to prevent crime and to build and sustain communities; and

Whereas the National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign (featuring McGruff the Crime Dog and sponsored by the Department of Justice, the Crime Prevention Coalition, and the National Crime Prevention Council) encourages effective partnerships to reduce crime and to improve life throughout the Nation: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the month of October 1994 is designated as "Crime Prevention Month" and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies and activities.*

Approved October 6, 1994.

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.J. Res. 363:**

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