Public Law 88-254

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the designation of the month of February in each year as “American Heart Month”.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue annually a proclamation (1) designating February as American Heart Month, (2) inviting the Governors of the States and territories of the United States to issue proclamations for like purposes, and (3) urging the people of the United States to give heed to the nationwide problem of the heart and blood vessel diseases, and to support all essential programs required to bring about its solution.

Approved December 30, 1963.

Public Law 88-255

JOINT RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to designate 1964 as “United States Customs Year”.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to proclaim the calendar year 1964 as “United States Customs Year” marking the one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the United States Customs Service, in recognition of the one and three quarters centuries of dedicated service to the United States; and calling upon the American people to observe this anniversary with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved December 30, 1963.

Public Law 88-256

AN ACT

To provide for the coinage of 50-cent pieces bearing the likeness of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in lieu of the coinage of the 50-cent piece known as the Franklin half dollar, there shall be coined a silver 50-cent piece which shall bear on one side the likeness of the late President of the United States, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, and on the other side an appropriate design to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Approved December 30, 1963.