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98th Congress

Joint Resolution

To designate the month of August 1983 as "National Child Support Enforcement Month".

Whereas significant progress has been made toward improving laws and regulations dealing with child support enforcement by the States;

Whereas the provisions of part D of title IV of the Social Security Act have provided a needed response in alleviating problems that exist within and among States as to legal rights and financial needs of their citizens;

Whereas the child support program's ultimate goal is to reduce financial deprivation among America's children by ensuring that the responsibility of support rests with the responsible parent, thereby diminishing the need for welfare dependency by women and children;

Whereas the dedicated service of family support enforcement personnel, the judiciary and the legal community has contributed to increased child support collections, paternity establishments and the location of absent parents;

Whereas the growth and success of child support programs have resulted from and continue to rely on increased cooperation of Federal, State and local agencies: 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 August 1983 is designated "National Child Support Enforcement Month" and that the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon all government agencies and the people of the United States to observe the month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Approved August 5, 1983.

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