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## H. J. RES. 198

Designating the week of November 15 through 22, 1993, as the "National Sportsmen's Instruction Week".

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 19, 1993

Mr. CAMP (for himself, Mr. COBLE, Mr. BREWSTER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. LAROCCO, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. FROST, Mr. PARKER, and Mr. WALSH) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

## **JOINT RESOLUTION**

Designating the week of November 15 through 22, 1993, as the "National Sportsmen's Instruction Week".

- Whereas fishing and hunting continue to be a favorite pastime of many Americans as the most popular outdoor traditions;
- Whereas nearly 46,500,000 United States residents, more than 25 percent of the United States population 16 years and older, enjoy some activity of fishing and 18,500,000 participate in hunting annually;

- Whereas the annual rates of hunting and fishing-related injuries declined markedly since 1984 due to hunter's safety education;
- Whereas 50,749 hunting and fishing instructors educate over 650,000 sportsmen and women annually about safe, responsible, and enjoyable recreation;
- Whereas each State in the United States now has an agency responsible for teaching safe hunting and fishing methods in promoting hunting and fishing procedures and behavior and important conservation practices;
- Whereas hunter education programs develop hunters who act safely and responsibly, help to reduce the incidence of hunting and fishing related accidents and wildlife violations; and
- Whereas designation of "National Sportsmen's Instruction Week" provides recognition of those involved with instruction and those serviced and benefited by such instruction of safety education: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
  - 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
  - 3 That the week of November 15 through 22, 1993, is des-4 ignated as "National Sportsmen's Instruction Week", and 5 the President is authorized and requested to issue a proc-6 lamation calling upon all Government agencies and the 7 people of the United States to observe such week with ap-8 propriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.