

103<sup>D</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. J. RES. 360

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 2, 1994

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## **JOINT RESOLUTION**

To designate the week of April 25, 1994, to May 1, 1994,  
as “Let’s Stop Kids Killing Kids Week”.

Whereas the incidence of violent crime by teenagers has increased by alarming proportion in the United States;

Whereas the number of juveniles arrested for murder has increased 128 percent in the past decade;

Whereas an estimated 60 percent of reported crimes are being committed by those between 10–20 years of age;

Whereas homicide is the leading cause of death among young African-Americans and second for all people ages 15–34;

Whereas young people ages 12–24 face the highest risk of nonfatal assault by any group in America;

Whereas the economic and emotional costs to victims, and society in general, has reached epidemic proportions;

Whereas the Nation faces a continuing need to support programs and services that give young people hope and to offer them alternatives to crime;

Whereas dedicated groups such as the National League of Cities, together with a broad based coalition of 70 national educational, religious, local government, law enforcement, medical, legal, civil rights, media, community service, and family advocacy organizations have announced a week-long campaign against youth violence during the week of April 25–May 1, 1994, including activities in cities across America to focus on the tragic consequences of youth violence for families and communities;

Whereas during the week-long campaign against youth violence important discussions with students, teachers, doctors, lawyers, and police will be held regarding youth violence and its effects, along with recognizing those individuals and programs that are doing outstanding work on youth violence prevention; and

Whereas it is appropriate to focus the Nation's attention upon the problem of youth violence: 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 April 25, 1994, to May 1, 1994, is designated as  
4        “Let’s Stop Kids Killing Kids Week”. The President is  
5        authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling

- 1 upon the people of the United States to observe the week
- 2 with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Passed the House of Representatives April 26, 1994.

Attest: DONNALD K. ANDERSON,  
*Clerk.*