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S. J. RES. 105

Designating both September 29, 1993, and September 28, 1994, as "National Barrier Awareness Day".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 22, 1993

Mr. Inouye introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Designating both September 29, 1993, and September 28, 1994, as "National Barrier Awareness Day".

- Whereas there are currently more than 43,000,000 Americans with an identifiable disability;
- Whereas 80 percent of Americans will experience some form of disability during their lives and many of these disabilities will be permanent;
- Whereas persons who do not have a disability generally do not understand the full effect of living with a disability, and this lack of understanding fosters stereotypes and cultural attitudes that create barriers between individuals with disabilities and those without a disability;
- Whereas the Senate and the House of Representatives enacted, and the President signed into law, the Americans

with Disabilities Act of 1990, which provides comprehensive protection from employment discrimination for individuals with disabilities, that became effective on July 26, 1992;

- Whereas every American should work toward the goal of eliminating the cultural, employment, legal, and physical barriers that confront individuals with disabilities; and
- Whereas an annual day of observance designated by the Congress and proclaimed by the President will assist the effort to eliminate the barriers that confront individuals with disabilities: 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 September 29, 1993, and September 28, 1994, are
 - 4 each designated as "National Barrier Awareness Day".
 - 5 The President is authorized and requested to issue a proc-
 - 6 lamation calling upon the people of the United States to
 - 7 observe these days with appropriate ceremonies and
 - 8 activities.

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