

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

# S. J. RES. 198

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 16, 1994

Referred to the Committee on Post and Civil Service

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## **JOINT RESOLUTION**

Designating 1995 the “Year of the Grandparent”.

Whereas grandparents bring a tremendous amount of love and power for good into the lives of their grandchildren;

Whereas grandparents, in partnership with parents, help deepen every child’s roots and strengthen every child’s wings so that every child may soar into adulthood with a glad heart and a confident spirit;

Whereas grandparents are a strong and important voice in support of the happiness and well-being of children;

Whereas grandparents often serve as the primary caregivers for their grandchildren, providing a stable and supportive home environment;

Whereas grandparents should be acknowledged for the important role they play within families, and for the many and varied contributions they make to enhance and further the value of the family and family traditions;

Whereas public awareness of and appreciation for the contributions of grandparents should be strengthened;

Whereas grandparents should be encouraged to continue as a vital force in the shaping of American families today and into the future;

Whereas the Nation acknowledges the contributions of grandparents by celebrating National Grandparents Day each September; and

Whereas there should be a year-long national celebration of grandparents and grandparenting: 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 1995 is designated the “Year of the Grandparent”,  
4       and the President is authorized and requested to issue a  
5       proclamation calling on the people of the United States  
6       to observe that year with appropriate programs, cere-  
7       monies, and activities.

Passed the Senate August 12 (legislative day, August 11), 1994.

Attest:

MARTHA S. POPE,

*Secretary.*