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S. RES. 260

Expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as “National Children’s Day”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 30, 1998

Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. BYRD, Mr. DODD, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. KOHL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. BOND, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. REID, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. D’AMATO, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. WARNER, Mr. INOUE, Mr. ROTH, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. GORTON, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. MACK, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. ROBB, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. KERREY, Mr. BRYAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. BURNS, Mr. DOMENICI, and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

OCTOBER 8 (legislative day, OCTOBER 2), 1998

Reported by Mr. HATCH, without amendment

OCTOBER 9 (legislative day, OCTOBER 2), 1998

Considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as “National Children’s Day”.

Whereas the people of the United States should celebrate children as the most valuable asset of the Nation;

Whereas children represent the future, hope, and inspiration of the United States;

Whereas the children of the United States should be allowed to feel that their ideas and dreams will be respected because adults in the United States take time to listen;

Whereas many children of the United States face crises of grave proportions, especially as they enter adolescent years;

Whereas it is important for parents to spend time listening to their children on a daily basis;

Whereas modern societal and economic demands often pull the family apart;

Whereas encouragement should be given to families to set aside a special time for all family members to engage together in family activities;

Whereas adults in the United States should have an opportunity to reminisce on their youth and to recapture some of the fresh insight, innocence, and dreams that they may have lost through the years;

Whereas the designation of a day to commemorate the children of the United States will provide an opportunity to emphasize to children the importance of developing an ability to make the choices necessary to distance themselves from impropriety and to contribute to their communities;

Whereas the designation of a day to commemorate the children of the Nation will emphasize to the people of the United States the importance of the role of the child within the family and society;

Whereas the people of the United States should emphasize to children the importance of family life, education, and spiritual qualities; and

Whereas children are the responsibility of all Americans and everyone should celebrate the children of the United States, whose questions, laughter, and tears are important to the existence of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That—

2 (1) it is the sense of the Senate that October
3 11, 1998, should be designated as “National Chil-
4 dren’s Day”; and

5 (2) the President is requested to issue a procla-
6 mation calling upon the people of the United States
7 to observe “National Children’s Day” with appro-
8 priate ceremonies and activities.

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