

H. Res. 534

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

July 22, 2009.

Whereas research shows that a supportive and encouraging family is critical to raising strong and resilient children;

Whereas strong healthy families improve the quality of life and the development of children;

Whereas spending time engaging in family activities supports the development of healthy and well-adjusted children;

Whereas families are of many compositions and sizes, it is the strength and support of the family that is essential to child rearing;

Whereas families play critical roles in the care of children, and in their children's health care, this is particularly true for children with special needs;

Whereas mental health plays a central role in child development, families should be encouraged to cultivate environments that are safe and secure, supportive, and that contribute to high-confidence and high self-esteem;

Whereas it is essential to celebrate and reflect upon the important role that all families play in the lives of children and their positive effect for the Nation's future;

Whereas the fourth Saturday of June is “National Children and Families Day”, a day set aside to recognize the importance of children and families; and

Whereas the country’s greatest natural resource is its children: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives supports the goals and ideals of “National Children and Families Day”.

Attest:

Clerk.