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Joint Resolution
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To authorize and request the President to proclaim the week of May 6 through 12, 1979, as “National Historic Preservation Week”.

Whereas the preservation of the architectural and cultural heritage of America emphasizes, for present and future generations, many exceptional and distinctive aspects of our past;
Whereas the preservation of historic sites and structures serves to remind Americans of the varied cultural influences and historic forces that shaped our country;
Whereas the restoration and maintenance of structures with historical or architectural significance often permits them to play a continuing, contemporary, contributing role in the lives of their communities;
Whereas it is appropriate to commend imaginative and constructive historic preservation programs: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized and requested to proclaim May 6 through 12, 1979, as “National Historic Preservation Week”, and to call upon interested groups and organizations and the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved May 24, 1979.

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   May 2, considered and passed Senate.
   May 10, considered and passed House.