

Public Law 96-197  
96th Congress

### Joint Resolution

To authorize and request the President to issue a proclamation honoring the memory of Walt Disney on the twenty-fifth anniversary of his contribution to the American dream.

Feb. 28, 1980  
[H.J. Res. 477]

Whereas the name of Walt Disney is synonymous with love of children, the joy and freedom of youth, and the strength of the family bond; and

Whereas twenty-five years ago, Walt Disney made tangible these most basic and cherished values in a magic land where age relives fond memories of the past and youth may savor the challenge and promises of the future; and

Whereas Walt Disney's dream embodies the ideals, the hopes, and the hard work that have created America; and

Whereas this embodiment contributes to the international understanding of American life and purpose; and

Whereas official recognition of Walt Disney and his dream-come-true will enhance the United States, nationally and internationally, as a land where wholesome family pastimes are both encouraged and enjoyed; and

Whereas the silver anniversary of Walt Disney's creation makes appropriate a salute to its creator: 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 issue a proclamation honoring the memory of Walt Disney on the twenty-fifth anniversary of his contribution to the American dream.

Walt Disney,  
twenty-fifth  
anniversary.  
Designation  
authorization.

Approved February 28, 1980.

#### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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