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## Joint Resolution

To proclaim the month of March 1984, as "National Social Work Month".

Whereas a productive and rewarding life for all of our citizens is a major goal of our Nation; and

- Whereas for millions of people in our society adverse economic and social conditions create severe stresses and an inability to cope with life situations; and
- Whereas countless numbers of Americans through accidents, birth, or illness develop physical, emotional, and mental impairments; and
- Whereas professional social workers are advocates for sound and humane public policies and services; and
- Whereas professional social workers are in the vanguard of the forces working to provide protection for children and the aged, the reduction of racism and sexism and the prevention of the social and emotional disintegration of individuals and families; and
- Whereas professional social workers constitute the largest group of professionals engaged in the treatment and recovery of those individuals who have become emotionally and mentally ill; and
- Whereas in recognition of professional social workers continuing efforts to provide the opportunities for a life of accomplishment, dignity, and purpose for all people: 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 designating the month of March 1984, as "National Social Work Month", and calling upon the people of the United States to observe the month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Approved March 14, 1984.

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