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Joint Resolution

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To designate the period commencing January 1, 1986, and ending December 31, 1986, as the "Centennial Year of the Gasoline Powered Automobile".

Whereas the first motor vehicle powered by an internal combustion engine was invented in 1886;

Whereas such vehicle was the forerunner of the present automobile and there are more than one hundred twenty-four million automobiles registered in the United States;

Whereas one in five jobs in the Nation are dependent directly or indirectly on the automobile industry;

Whereas the automobile has been associated with tremendous changes in society in the one hundred years since its invention; and

Whereas the automobile has enhanced communication, travel and has brought mobility to all people in the Nation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the period commencing January 1, 1986, and ending December 31, 1986, is designated as the "Centennial Year of the Gasoline Powered Automobile" and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such year with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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