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Joint Resolution

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[S.J. Res. 286]

To designate the week of April 20, 1986, through April 26, 1986, as "National Reading Is Fun Week".

Whereas reading for pleasure contributes to the development of lifelong reading and learning skills;

Whereas the lack of those skills is a pervasive and destructive force in America, and millions of adults cannot read well enough to function in our society;

Whereas it is essential that the sixty-six million youngsters in America under the age of 18 grow up reading in order to become literate, informed adults; and

Whereas "National Reading Is Fun Week" will be a nationwide literacy effort encouraging millions of young people to read: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the week of April 20, 1986, through April 26, 1986, is designated as "National Reading Is Fun Week" and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon Federal, State, and local government agencies and the people of the United States to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Approved April 24, 1986.

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