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## Joint Resolution

Designating April 28, 1986, as "National Nursing Home Residents Day".

May 8, 1986

[S.J. Res. 264]

Whereas over one million older Americans reside in nursing homes and one in five older Americans likely will reside in a nursing home at some time;

Whereas nursing home residents have contributed to the growth, development, and progress of this Nation and, as elders, offer a wealth of knowledge and experience;

Whereas Congress recognizes the importance of the continued participation of these institutionalized senior citizens in the life of our Nation;

Whereas in an effort to foster reintegration of these citizens into their communities Congress encourages community recognition of and involvement in the lives of nursing home residents;

Whereas the Congress recognizes the importance of safeguarding the rights of nursing home residents; and

Whereas it is appropriate for the American people to join in support of nursing home residents to demonstrate their concern and respect for these citizens: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That April 28, 1986, is designated as "National Nursing Home Residents Day", a time of renewed recognition, concern, and respect for the Nation's nursing home residents. The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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