

Public Law 99-305  
99th Congress

## Joint Resolution

To designate the month of May 1986, as "National Birds of Prey Month".

May 19, 1986  
[S.J. Res. 288]

Whereas hawks, owls, and other birds of prey are important ecological components of the ecosystem and contribute to the quality of the wildlife communities in which they live;

Whereas birds of prey represent the highest ideals of humanity, inspiring Americans and all people who value freedom;

Whereas a substantial number of species of birds of prey that occur regularly in the United States have been listed by one or more State or Federal conservation agencies as endangered, extirpated, threatened, or of concern;

Whereas millions of Americans from coast to coast and border to border regularly gain pleasure by observing birds of prey throughout our country; and

Whereas a World Center for Birds of Prey has been established at Boise, Idaho, adjacent to the Snake River Birds of Prey Area, an international treasure, and where public activities are being scheduled for the month of May 1986, to better acquaint the public with birds of prey: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the month of May 1986, is designated as "National Birds of Prey Month", and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon individuals to observe such a month by recognizing the importance of birds of prey in our environment.

Approved May 19, 1986.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S.J. Res. 288:

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