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Joint Resolution

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[H.J. Res. 526]

To designate the week of May 25, 1986, through May 31, 1986, as "Critical Care Week".

Whereas the public is not sufficiently aware of the special medical needs of the critically ill;

Whereas patients such as trauma and burn victims, AIDS victims, and postoperative patients with complications vitally need critical care units within hospitals;

Whereas critical care units, where they are available, often serve as many as 15 per centum of the inpatients of a hospital;

Whereas four thousand three hundred critical care units have already been established in the United States;

Whereas the Society of Critical Care Medicine and its members throughout the United States are dedicated to improving the care of critically ill patients through research and education: 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 May 25, 1986, through May 31, 1986, is designated "Critical Care Week". The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe this week with appropriate programs and activities.

Approved May 28, 1986.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.J. Res. 526:

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