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Joint Resolution

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To designate December 5, 1986, as "Walt Disney Recognition Day".

Whereas in 1986 there occurs the 31st anniversary of the founding of Disneyland and the 15th anniversary of the founding of Disney World;

Whereas December 5, 1986, is the 85th anniversary of the birth of the founder of Disneyland and Disney World, Walter Elias Disney; Whereas the delightful characters created by Walt Disney, including Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck, have brought joy to several generations;

Whereas Walt Disney used the characters he created to promote family values and to teach civic and moral lessons:

Whereas the unceasing commitment of Walt Disney to excellence led him to perfect animation as an art form;

Whereas Walt Disney produced nature documentaries that yielded fascinating insights into the animal kingdom and emphasized the importance of conserving the natural heritage of the Nation;

Whereas Walt Disney devoted an enormous amount of time and resources to improving the quality of urban life in the United States through the construction of Walt Disney World and Epcot Center;

Whereas classic films produced by Walt Disney included Fantasia, Bambi, and the first full-length animated cartoon, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs; and

Whereas Walt Disney was an American folk hero who became famous worldwide: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That December 5, 1986, hereby is designated "Walt Disney Recognition Day", 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 day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved August 23, 1986.