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Joint Resolution

Designating May 29, 1995, through June 6, 1995, as a "Time for the National Observance of the Fiftieth Anniversary of World War II".

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Whereas the brave men and women of the United States of America made tremendous sacrifices during World War II to save the world from tyranny and aggression;

Whereas the winds of freedom and democracy sweeping the globe today spring from the principles for which over four hundred

thousand Americans gave their lives in World War II;

Whereas World War II and the events that led up to that war must be understood in order that we may better understand our own times, and more fully appreciate the reasons why eternal vigilance against any form of tyranny is so important:

vigilance against any form of tyranny is so important; Whereas the World War II era, as reflected in its family life, industry, and entertainment, was a unique period in American history and epitomized our Nation's philosophy of hard work,

courage, and tenacity in the face of adversity;

Whereas, between 1991 and 1995, over nine million American veterans of World War II will be holding reunions and conferences and otherwise commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of various events relating to World War II; and

Whereas June 4 marks the anniversary of the Battle of Midway, and June 6 marks the anniversary of D-Day: Now, therefore,

be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That May 29, 1995, through June 6, 1995, is designated as a "Time for the National Observance of the Fiftieth Anniversary of World War II", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe that period with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S.J. Res. 172:

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