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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS *JGR*
SUBJECT: S.J. Res. 203 -- National
Mental Health Counselors Week

Richard Darman asked for our views on the above-referenced enrolled resolution by 10:00 a.m. today. This resolution praises the contributions of mental health counselors and designates next week in their honor. It passed both Houses by voice vote. OMB and HHS recommend approval. I have reviewed the memorandum for the President prepared by OMB Acting Assistant Director for Legislative Reference Naomi R. Sweeney, and the resolution itself, and have no objections.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING Orig. signed by FFF
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: S.J. Res. 203 -- National
Mental Health Counselors Week

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled resolution, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective.

FFF:JGR:aea 4/6/84

cc: FFFielding/JGRoberts/Subj/Chron

WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Subject: S.S. Res. 203 - National Mental
Health Counselors Week

ROUTE TO:

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUMDATE: 4/5/84 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10:00 a.m. TOMORROWSUBJECT: S.J. RES. 203 - NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS WEEK

	ACTION FYI			ACTION FYI	
VICE PRESIDENT	☐	☐	McFARLANE	☐	☐
MEESE	☐	☒	McMANUS	☐	☐
BAKER	☐	☒	MURPHY	☐	☐
DEAVER	☐	☒	OGLESBY	☒	☐
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JENKINS	☐	☐	_____	☐	☐

REMARKS:

Please provide any comments/recommendations by 10:00 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, April 6th.

Thank you.

RESPONSE:

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702

1984 APR -5 PM 5: 20



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

Received 35

1984 APR -5 PM 4:55

APR 5 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 203 - National Mental
Health Counselors Week
Sponsor - Sen. Huddleston (D) Kentucky and 12 others

Last Day for Action

April 16, 1984 - Monday. Recommend action as soon as possible
since the designated week begins this Sunday.

Purpose

Designates the week beginning April 8, 1984, as "National Mental
Health Counselors Week."

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Health and Human Services

Approval
(Informally)

Discussion

S.J. Res. 203 designates the week of April 8 through April 14,
1984, as "National Mental Health Counselors Week," and requests
the President to issue a proclamation calling upon all Govern-
ment agencies and people of the United States to observe the
week with appropriate ceremonies and activities. The resolution
was passed by voice vote in both the Senate and the House.

The resolution notes that mental health counselors work in a
specialized field of counseling which emphasizes the develop-
mental and adjustive nature of mental health services. They
work in a variety of settings -- hospitals, community health
centers, clinics, and in private practices -- and frequently in
areas traditionally underserved by health professionals. Mental
health counselors provide almost 50 percent of all direct
delivery of mental health services in this country. H.J. Res.
415, the House companion to S.J. Res. 203, had 230 co-sponsors.

An appropriate proclamation is being drafted and will be forwarded to the White House as soon as possible.

Naomi R Sweeney

Naomi R. Sweeney
Acting Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

April 6, 1984

The President today signed the following legislation:

H.J. Res. 443 which designates the month of June 1984 as "Student Awareness of Drunk Driving Month."

S. 1365 which designates the air traffic control tower at the Chattanooga Municipal Airport, Tennessee, as the "Harry Porter Control Tower."

H.J. Res. 271 which designates February 11, 1984, as "National Inventors Day."

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 16, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS 

SUBJECT: Enrolled Res. S.J. Res. 173 --
Historic American Buildings Survey

Richard Darman has asked for comments on the above-referenced enrolled resolution by 10:00 a.m. today. This resolution, which passed both Houses by voice vote, simply commends the Historic American Buildings Survey. The Survey is a 51-year old project of the National Park Service, the Library of Congress, and the American Institute of Architects to document historic buildings in America, not only for study purposes but also so that they may be authentically restored in the event of fire or other damage. OMB and Interior recommend approval; I have no objections.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 16, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: *Orig. signed by FFF*
FRED F. FIELDING
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Res. S.J. Res. 173 --
Historic American Buildings Survey

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled resolution, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective.

FFF:JGR:aea 4/16/84 ✓
cc: FFFielding/JGRoberts/Subj/Chron

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUMDATE: 4/13/84 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10:00 a.m. MONDAY, 4/16SUBJECT: ENROLLED RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 173 - HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS
SURVEY

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VICE PRESIDENT	☐	☐	McFARLANE	☐	☐
MEESE	☐	☒	McMANUS	☐	☐
BAKER	☐	☒	MURPHY	☐	☐
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REMARKS:MAY WE HAVE YOUR COMMENTS ON THE ATTACHED BILL BY 10:00 A.M. MONDAY,
APRIL 16. THANK YOU.**RESPONSE:**

1984 APR 13 PM 7:15

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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APR 13 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res 173 - Historic American
Buildings Survey
Sponsors - Sen. Johnston (D) Louisiana and eight others

Last Day for Action

Purpose

Commends the work of the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of the Interior

Approval ()

Discussion

The Historic American Buildings Survey was established in 1933 to survey and document the historically and architecturally significant buildings of the United States. The National Park Service conducts the Survey in cooperation with the Library of Congress and the American Institute of Architects. These efforts were instrumental to the authentic reconstruction of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's birthplace, Hyde Park, which was severely damaged by fire last year.

The enrolled resolution commends the Survey for its contributions to the understanding of the history and heritage of the United States. S.J.Res. 173 passed both Houses of the Congress by voice vote.

James M. Frey
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 15, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS 
SUBJECT: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 220
National Arts with the Handicapped Week

Richard Darman has asked for comments on the above-referenced enrolled resolution by close of business Wednesday, May 16. This resolution, which passed both Houses by voice vote, designates the week beginning May 20 as "National Arts With the Handicapped Week." The week marks the tenth anniversary of the establishment of a committee, affiliated with the Kennedy Center, concerned with enriching the lives of the handicapped through involvement with the arts.

OMB, Education, and NEA recommend approval. I have reviewed the memorandum for the President prepared by OMB Assistant Director for Legislative Reference James M. Frey, and the resolution itself, and have no objections. ..

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 15, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 220
National Arts with the Handicapped Week

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled resolution, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective.

FFF:JGR:aea 5/15/84

cc: FFFielding/JGRoberts/Subj/Chron

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Subject: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res 220 -
National Arts with the Handicapped Week

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 5/14/84 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 5/16/84

SUBJECT: ENROLLED RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 220 - NATIONAL ARTS WITH THE
HANDICAPPED WEEK

	ACTION FYI			ACTION FYI	
VICE PRESIDENT	☐	☐	McFARLANE	☐	☐
MEESE	☐	☒	McMANUS	☐	☐
BAKER	☐	☒	MURPHY	☐	☐
DEAVER	☐	☒	OGLESBY	☒	☐
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REMARKS:

May we have your comments on the attached Enrolled Resolution by close of business Wednesday, May 16. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702

1984 MAY 14 PM 5:32



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAY 14 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 220 - National Arts With
the Handicapped Week
Sponsor - Sen. Kennedy (D) Massachusetts

Last Day for Action

May 21, 1984 - Monday

Purpose

Designates the week beginning May 20, 1984, as "National Arts With the Handicapped Week."

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval
Department of Education	Approval
National Endowment for the Arts	Approval (Informally)

Discussion

S.J. Res. 220 designates the week of May 20 through May 26, 1984, as "National Arts With the Handicapped Week," and requests the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the public to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities. It passed both the Senate and the House by voice vote.

According to the resolution, the National Committee, Arts With the Handicapped (NCAH), an educational affiliate of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, will celebrate its tenth anniversary as the coordinating agency for arts programs for disabled children with a special arts festival in Washington, D.C., during the week of May 20. The NCAH conducts programs in all fifty States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico to assure that disabled people have access to programs which bring the arts into their lives.

An appropriate proclamation will be forwarded to the White House for issuance in a timely manner.

James M. Fry
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

May 17, 1984

The President today signed the following legislation:

H.R. 3240 which authorizes the presentation of a gold medal
to the widow of the late Roy Wilkins; and

 which designates the week beginning May 20, 1984,
as "National Arts With the Handicapped Week."

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 22, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS 

SUBJECT: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 252
-- Missing Children Day

Richard Darman has asked for comments by noon today on the above-referenced enrolled resolution. The resolution, which passed both Houses by voice vote, designates May 25, 1984 as "Missing Children Day." That day will be the fifth anniversary of the disappearance of Etan Patz in New York City. The resolution states that the search for missing children is "frequently a low-priority investigation in many law enforcement agencies" and that "efforts between Federal and local law enforcement agencies in child abduction cases are usually uncoordinated, haphazard, and ineffective." OMB, HHS, and Justice recommend approval.

You will recall that our office has resisted the issuance of a Missing Children Day proclamation because such a proclamation was neither traditional nor requested by Congress. Despite our objections such a proclamation was signed on May 15, designating May 25 as Missing Children Day. Now Congress, by passing S.J. Res. 252, has retroactively removed the basis for our objection. Fortunately the proclamation as signed by the President is presciently responsive to the resolution, announcing the establishment of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at the Department of Justice and urging that missing children cases be given a higher priority by all law enforcement agencies.

The memorandum for the President from OMB Assistant Director for Legislative Reference James M. Frey states that a proclamation will be forwarded for the President's consideration. I do not think it necessary or appropriate for the President to issue a second proclamation; he has already done what S.J. Res. 252 authorizes and requests him to do. It is unfortunate that there was not better coordination between the Special Messages Office and Legislative Affairs, so that the proclamation could have been held until after receipt of the resolution. (Of course, the problem would

not have arisen had our advice been heeded and the proclamation not issued in the absence of a Congressional request.) The attached memorandum for Darman recommends that a second Missing Children Day proclamation not be issued. At least with proclamations, once is enough.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 22, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING *Orig. signed by FFF* *RAH for*
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 252
-- Missing Children Day

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled resolution, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective. I would note, however, that the President issued a proclamation designating May 25 as Missing Children Day on May 15. Since the President has already done what this enrolled resolution authorizes and requests him to do, there is no need to prepare a second proclamation. It would, of course, have been preferable not to issue the proclamation until after receipt of the resolution.

FFF:JGR:aea 5/22/84

cc: FFFielding/JGRoberts/Subj/Chron

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Subject: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 252 -
Missing Children Day

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUMDATE: 5/21/84 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 5/23/84 - NOONSUBJECT: ENROLLED RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 252 - MISSING CHILDREN DAY

	ACTION FYI			ACTION FYI	
VICE PRESIDENT	☐	☐	McFARLANE	☐	☐
MEESE	☐	☒	McMANUS	☐	☐
BAKER	☐	☒	MURPHY	☐	☐
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REMARKS:

May we have your comments on the attached Enrolled Bill by Wednesday, May 23, 12:00 Noon. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702

1984 MAY 21 PM 7:02



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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MAY 21 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 252 - "Missing
Children Day"
Sponsors - Sen. Hawkins (R) Florida and 36 others

Last Day for Action

Purpose

To designate May 25, 1984, as "Missing Children Day."

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Health and Human Services
Department of Justice

Approval (Informally)
Approval (Informally)

Discussion

S.J. Res. 252, which passed both Houses by voice vote, recognizes that over 1.8 million children disappear annually from their homes; that approximately 60% of all missing children are sexually abused while they are away from home; and that it might be easier to find missing children if there were greater awareness of the problem.

The enrolled resolution designates May 25, 1984, as "Missing Children Day." It authorizes and requests the President to issue a proclamation calling on the Federal Government and the American people "to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies, programs, and activities."

A proclamation will be forwarded separately for your consideration.

James M. Frey
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

Ninety-eighth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-third day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four*

Joint Resolution

To designate May 25, 1984, as "Missing Children Day".

Whereas on May 25, 1979, six-year-old Etan Patz disappeared from his home in New York City and is still missing;

Whereas over one million eight hundred thousand children disappear from home annually;

Whereas children who are missing from home and are not living in a family environment are frequently the victims of sexual and physical exploitation;

Whereas an estimated 60 per centum of missing children are sexually abused while away from home;

Whereas the search for missing children is frequently a low-priority investigation in many law enforcement agencies;

Whereas efforts between Federal and local law enforcement agencies in child abduction cases are usually uncoordinated, haphazard, and ineffective; and

Whereas the problem of the missing child has been plagued by misinformation and there is a need to increase public understanding and awareness of this problem: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That May 25, 1984, is designated as "Missing Children Day", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon all Government agencies and the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies, programs, and activities.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

MISSING CHILDREN DAY, 1984

- - - 5-19-84 - -

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

Each year hundreds of thousands of American families face the stark terror of a unique tragedy -- that of a missing child. Our children are our most precious resource -- they are the bond that binds our past with the future. It is for them that we struggle to build a better world. They are the embodiment of our hopes and dreams. To have a child simply disappear strikes an incalculable blow against the spirit and soul of any family so afflicted.

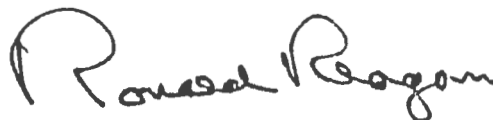
In our efforts to address the nightmare of missing children, 1984 marks the year of a significant step forward. The Department of Justice has awarded a \$3.3 million grant to establish a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Its purpose is to aid parents and law enforcement agencies in locating missing youngsters and preventing the exploitation of children. By collecting and disseminating information regarding missing young people, the Center will lend major support to those searching for their children.

As a Nation committed to the worth of every individual, there can be no more imperative goal for our society than the protection and safety of our young people. It is hoped that these new efforts combined with the increasing awareness of the seriousness of this problem will encourage greater vigilance by the agencies that work to solve this singular type of crime.

As a Nation and as individuals, we all have a responsibility to direct our resources and our efforts to this worthy goal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim May 25, 1984, as Missing Children Day. I urge officials at all levels of government to take decisive action to ensure the safety and protection of the children in their respective jurisdictions, and I urge all our law enforcement agencies to take particular notice of the danger that threatens any child who has lost his or her home. I urge every American family to take the proper precautions to protect their children.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
15th day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen
hundred and eighty-four, and of the Independence of the
United States of America the two hundred and eighth.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Ronald Reagan". The signature is written in a cursive style, with the first name "Ronald" and last name "Reagan" clearly legible.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

May 24, 1984

The President today signed the following legislation:

H.R. 4107 which designates the Federal building in Salisbury, Maryland, the "Maude R. Toulson Federal Building";

H.R. 5576 which designates certain land and improvements of the National Institutes of Health as the "Mary Woodard Lasker Center for Health Research and Education"; and

S.J. Res. 252 which designates May 25, 1984, as "Missing Children Day."

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