

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1161

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A RESOLUTION designating May 9-15, 2010, as "National Nursing Home Week" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Tennessee now residing in nursing homes have contributed immeasurably to the heritage, success, and growth of our state; and

WHEREAS, our nursing home residents of any age or ability are themselves living history and a precious resource that should be treasured by all Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, the staff and volunteers who care for residents in nursing homes have built their own unique traditions of providing quality care; and

WHEREAS, National Nursing Home Week shines a spotlight on the lifetime achievements of patients and honors the hard work and dedication of caregivers who are proud to care for these admirable men and women; and

WHEREAS, guided by the theme of this year's National Nursing Home Week, "A Trip Down Memory Lane," patients, family members, caregivers, and volunteers are encouraged to reflect upon the past and rediscover the joy in living that has been passed from generation to generation; and

WHEREAS, during this most special week, long-term care facilities from across this State will host events designed to recognize the fundamental role nursing homes play in the continuum of long-term care; and

WHEREAS, the 43rd annual National Nursing Home Week begins on Mother's Day, May 9, 2010, and continues through Saturday, May 15, 2010; and

WHEREAS, nursing home residents are a treasured link to our past; their courage, hard work, and unwavering devotion to family and community have made Tennessee the great state it is today; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize and commend the caregivers, staff, and volunteers who so ably care for the honorable men and women of Tennessee's nursing homes; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby designate May 9-15, 2010, as "National Nursing Home Week" in Tennessee and call upon the good people of this State to reflect upon the knowledge, strength, and energy of our nursing home residents and caregivers by observing this week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.