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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 496

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Designating May of each year as the Month for Children in Virginia.

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Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, too often, our children bear the brunt of society's ills, from hunger and homelessness to crime, abuse, discrimination, and inadequate health care and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the plight of children has drawn attention at the local, state, national, and international levels, with worldwide dissemination through the media; and

WHEREAS, all children should have food, shelter, and health care; should be protected from abuse; and should be afforded educational opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Virginia recognized May 1990 as the Month of the Child in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, despite this increased attention, the lives of too many children, in Virginia, in the United States, and throughout the world, are characterized by suffering, desperation, and despair; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby designate May of 1995 and each succeeding year as the Month for Children in Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the General Assembly call upon all citizens of the Commonwealth to rededicate themselves and to redouble their efforts to improve the lives and ensure the futures of the children of Virginia, America, and the world.

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