

MOTHERS' DAY BILL IN CONGRESS

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Whereas the service rendered the United States by the American mother is the greatest source of the country's strength and inspiration; and

Whereas we honor ourselves and the mothers of America when we do anything to give emphasis to the home as the fountain head of the State; and

Whereas the American mother is doing so much for the home, for moral uplift, and religion, hence so much for good government and humanity; Therefore be it

Resolved, etc., That the President of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the Government officials to display the United States flag on all Government buildings, and the people of the United States to display the flag at their homes or other suitable places on the second Sunday in May, as a public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country.

Section 2. That the second Sunday in May shall hereafter be designated and known as Mothers' Day, and it shall be the duty of the President to request its observance as provided for in this resolution.

The joint resolution was reported to the Senate as amended and the amendment concurred in.

The amendment was ordered to be engrossed and the joint resolution to be read a third time.

The joint resolution was read a third time and passed.

The preamble was agreed to.

The title was amended to read: "A joint resolution designating the second Sunday in May as Mothers' Day and for other purposes."

A message announced the House agrees with the amendment in joint resolution designating the second Sunday in May as Mothers' Day, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 263. Joint resolution designating the second Sunday in May as Mothers' Day, and for other purposes.

Approved and signed by the President. May 8th, 1914