

103<sup>D</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# S. J. RES. 85

Designating the week beginning May 2, 1993, as “National Mental Health Counselors Week”.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 27 (legislative day, APRIL 19), 1993

Mr. HEFLIN introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed

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## **JOINT RESOLUTION**

Designating the week beginning May 2, 1993, as “National Mental Health Counselors Week”.

Whereas mental health counselors provide services along a full continuum of care, including developmental and preventive services;

Whereas mental health counselors utilize individual and group counseling techniques oriented toward assisting individuals with methods of problem solving, personal and social development decision making, and the complex process of developing self-understanding and making life decisions;

Whereas mental health counselors work in conjunction with other helping professionals, such as psychiatrists, psychologists, and social workers, to determine the most appropriate counseling for each client;

Whereas mental health counselors work in psychiatric hospitals, community mental health agencies, private clinics, college campuses, rehabilitation centers, and private practice;

Whereas mental health counselors are individuals upon whom, by virtue of their education and extensive training, have been conferred masters or doctor of philosophy degrees in mental health counseling or community mental health counseling, or similar degree titles having a focus on mental health; and

Whereas mental health counselors, after having earned such degrees, have performed at least 2 years of supervised clinical counseling, and are licensed or certified in the State of their residence, or are certified by the Academy of Clinical Mental Health Counselors: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That the week beginning May 2, 1993, is designated “Na-  
4       tional Mental Health Counselors Week”. The President is  
5       requested to issue a proclamation calling upon all Govern-  
6       ment agencies and the people of the United States to ob-  
7       serve the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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