

106TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. RES. 349

To designate September 7, 2000, as “National Safe Television for All Ages Day”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 7, 2000

Mr. HUTCHINSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

To designate September 7, 2000, as “National Safe
Television for All Ages Day”.

Whereas modern communication has made television a central reality in the lives of most Americans and one of the most pervasive socializing instruments in American culture;

Whereas family members and American citizens of all ages view an average of 17 hours of television per week;

Whereas there is a general consensus among researchers and the American public that violence on television correlates to violent and aggressive behavior in children and teenagers;

Whereas violent and antisocial behavior in American culture have increased as television depictions of violent actions

and destructive attitudes have become more elaborate and more common place in television programming;

Whereas television programming portraying responsible conflict resolution and positive, meaningful role models have a profound impact on the values that influence American culture;

Whereas family oriented programming reinforces positive attitudes and sound cultural values in our homes, schools, and communities; and

Whereas the values and attributes portrayed in family oriented programming promote positive social change and movement away from the social apathy and moral deterioration which are currently promoted by a wide variety of media sources: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates September 7, 2000, as “National
3 Safe Television for All Ages Day”; and

4 (2) urges all citizens to observe “National Safe
5 Television for All Ages Day” by encouraging family
6 and community members to advocate for socially re-
7 sponsible television and area broadcasting that offers
8 such programming.

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