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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 25-1025

101 **CONCERNING THE RECOGNITION OF THE WEEK OF APRIL 6-12, 2025, AS**
102 **NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK.**

1 WHEREAS, Crime and the threat of violence affect individuals,
2 families, and communities in profound and varied ways, often leaving
3 lasting physical, emotional, financial, and social challenges; and

4 WHEREAS, According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics'
5 "Criminal Victimization, 2023" report, U.S. residents aged 12 and older
6 experienced approximately 6.4 million violent victimizations and
7 households experienced approximately 13.6 million property
8 victimizations in 2023; and

9 WHEREAS, Colorado's Victims' Rights Amendment ensures
10 crime victims are treated with dignity, fairness, and respect and have the
11 right to be kept informed of and involved in the criminal justice process;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, America's crime victims' rights advocates have had
14 a powerful impact on educating the nation about the devastating effects
15 of crime and victimization and the need to provide support and services

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1 to individuals and communities hurt by crime; and

2 WHEREAS, With the unwavering support of their communities,
3 and victim service providers behind them, survivors are empowered to
4 face their grief, loss, fear, anger, and hope without fear of judgment and
5 feel understood, heard, and respected; and

6 WHEREAS, This year marks the 33rd anniversary of the
7 enactment of the Victims' Rights Amendment in the Colorado
8 Constitution, which passed on November 3, 1992, with the approval of
9 82% of Colorado voters; now, therefore,

10 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fifth*
11 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

12 (1) That we, the Colorado General Assembly, recognize the week
13 of April 6-12, 2025, as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in
14 Colorado, and, during this week and throughout the year, we honor crime
15 victims and those who serve them; and

16 (2) That we encourage the citizens of Colorado, as individuals,
17 communities, and part of the nation, to seek justice and have compassion
18 for crime victims.

19 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
20 to Governor Jared Polis, Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser, and
21 Stan Hilkey, executive director of the Colorado Department of Public
22 Safety.