



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 17-021

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CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF "SINGLE PARENTS' DAY".

WHEREAS, Parents must invest immeasurable amounts of time, energy, and devotion when raising their children in order to provide them with the love, support, and guidance required to become responsible, productive, and successful adults; and

WHEREAS, The responsibility of raising children in today's society is particularly difficult when it falls on the shoulders of a single parent; and

WHEREAS, The number of single-parent families has more than tripled in the past 25 years; and

WHEREAS, More than 25 million children in this country currently live in single-parent homes; and

WHEREAS, The greatest need of every child is to be loved, whether the child lives in a single-parent or two-parent family; and

WHEREAS, The dedication and achievement of single parents deserve our recognition; and

WHEREAS, In 1984, Congress passed House Joint Resolution 200 (Public Law 98-240), which designated March 21, 1984, as "National Single Parent Day", and President Reagan issued Proclamation 5166, which proclaimed March 21, 1984, "National Single Parent Day". Since then, many states and organizations across the country recognize March 21 each year as "Single Parents' Day"; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Colorado became the first state to sign a proclamation officially recognizing March 21 as "Single Parents' Day"; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-first General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:

That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly, designate March 21, 2017, as "Single Parents' Day" in Colorado in recognition of the dedication and achievements of all single parents.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to Janice S. Moglen of the Coalition for Single Parents' Day.

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