

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35

Whereas, the Weldon Spring Site was historically used to process uranium and left damage to the environment and health of the local residents; and

Whereas, the community surrounding the Weldon Spring Site has been affected by nuclear contamination in the name of national security; and

Whereas, the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) represents a critical means of providing compensation to the affected populations and acknowledgment of the damage from the nuclear exposure; and

Whereas, the expiration of RECA would deny justice to the individuals currently affected by the nuclear exposure and would fail future generations that may feel the effects of the nuclear exposure; and

Whereas, the reauthorization of RECA is not only a financial matter but a moral imperative to right the past wrongs; and

Whereas, it is the duty of Missouri's elected officials to ensure justice for those within the state's borders who have suffered from the government-induced nuclear radiation exposure:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the members of the Missouri Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly, second Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby urge the United States Congress to swiftly reauthorize and update the RECA; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to prepare a property inscribed copy of this resolution for the United States Senate, to the Speaker of

the United States House of Representatives, and to the members of the Missouri congressional delegation.