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H. RES. 784

Supporting the designation of October 15, 2023, as “National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day” and recognizing the people who have lost a pregnancy or an infant.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 13, 2023

Mr. SCHNEIDER (for himself, Mr. HILL, Ms. CROCKETT, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CAREY, and Mr. SOTO) submitted the following resolution

OCTOBER 25, 2023

Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability

RESOLUTION

Supporting the designation of October 15, 2023, as “National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day” and recognizing the people who have lost a pregnancy or an infant.

Whereas 2023 marks the 17th nationally recognized “Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day”;

Whereas each year, approximately 1,000,000 pregnancies in the United States end in miscarriage, stillbirth, or the death of a newborn;

Whereas pregnancy and infant loss can affect families long after the loss;

Whereas loss of an infant or a pregnancy can negatively affect a person’s mental health;

Whereas families would benefit from bereavement leave from work to take care of themselves and their families;

Whereas people who have experienced pregnancy loss or infant loss should not have their experiences minimized or stigmatized;

Whereas Congress should acknowledge the personal experiences of individuals who have lost a pregnancy or infant and empower those individuals to speak about their losses;

Whereas recognizing “Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day” is an opportunity to increase awareness, promote research and greater understanding, and provide community to individuals who have experienced pregnancy loss or infant loss; and

Whereas “Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day” allows the people of the United States to consider how we can best support families who experience, or work to prevent, pregnancy or infant loss: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the goals and ideals of “National
3 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day”;

4 (2) understands the importance of honoring
5 these losses and supporting affected people and their
6 families; and

7 (3) requests that the President issue a procla-
8 mation calling upon the people of the United States

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- 1 to observe such day with appropriate programs and
- 2 activities.

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