

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 106

Commending rehabilitation counselors and supporting the goals and ideals
of National Rehabilitation Counselors Appreciation Day.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 23, 2013

Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS) submitted the following
resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Commending rehabilitation counselors and supporting the
goals and ideals of National Rehabilitation Counselors
Appreciation Day.

Whereas rehabilitation counselors conduct assessments, pro-
vide counseling, support families, and plan and imple-
ment rehabilitation programs for individuals in need of
rehabilitation;

Whereas the purpose of professional organizations for reha-
bilitation counseling and education is to promote the im-
provement of rehabilitation services available to individ-
uals with disabilities through quality education for coun-
selors and rehabilitation research;

Whereas various professional organizations have vigorously
advocated up-to-date education and training and the

maintenance of professional standards in the field of rehabilitation counseling and education, including—

- (1) the National Rehabilitation Association;
- (2) the Rehabilitation Counselors and Educators Association;
- (3) the National Council on Rehabilitation Education;
- (4) the National Rehabilitation Counseling Association;
- (5) the American Rehabilitation Counseling Association;
- (6) the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification;
- (7) the Council of State Administrators of Vocational Rehabilitation; and
- (8) the Council on Rehabilitation Education;

Whereas, on March 22, 1983, Martha Walker of Kent State University, who was President of the National Council on Rehabilitation Education, testified before the Subcommittee on Select Education of the Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives, and was instrumental in bringing the need for qualified rehabilitation counselors to the attention of Congress;

Whereas the efforts of Martha Walker led to the enactment of laws that require rehabilitation counselors to have proper credentials, in order to provide a higher quality of service to those in need of rehabilitation; and

Whereas March 22 is National Rehabilitation Counselors Appreciation Day: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commends—

1 (A) rehabilitation counselors, for the dedi-
2 cation and hard work rehabilitation counselors
3 provide to individuals in need of rehabilitation;
4 and

5 (B) professional organizations, for the ef-
6 forts professional organizations have made to
7 assist those who require rehabilitation; and

8 (2) supports the goals and ideals of National
9 Rehabilitation Counselors Appreciation Day.

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