

To the office of U.S. Representative Norma J. Torres

Re: HRES 1483 (119th Congress), Expressing support for the recognition of August 17 through August 23, 2026, as "Warehouse Worker Recognition Week", celebrating the workers in the logistics industry. · Latest action (2026-08-13): Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. VFA SI Solution #266 · published 2026-08-16 · <https://www.valuesforamerica.com/solutions/266> Office of record (Congress.gov): 2227 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC · (202) 225-6161

Warehouse Worker Recognition Week Act of 2026

**The measure, as described from the official record:** To honor and recognize warehouse workers in the logistics industry by designating a specific week in August 2026 as 'Warehouse Worker Recognition Week'.

THE PROPOSAL

This Act establishes an annual 'Warehouse Worker Recognition Week' to be held during the third full week of August each year, beginning in 2026. Congress finds that warehouse workers play an essential role in the American supply chain and economy, and that their contributions merit national recognition.

The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation each year calling upon federal, state, and local governments, businesses, and the people of the United States to observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities that honor warehouse workers.

The Secretary of Labor, acting through the Bureau of Labor Statistics, shall compile and submit to Congress a biennial report on the warehouse workforce, including employment numbers, demographics, wages, and workplace safety data. The first report is due within 24 months of enactment, and subsequent reports every two years thereafter.

No new federal funding is authorized or appropriated for this Act. The Department of Labor shall use existing appropriations to prepare the report. The Act shall sunset at the end of the fifth full calendar year after enactment, unless reauthorized by Congress.

This Act is intended solely as an expression of congressional sentiment and a data-gathering measure; it does not create any new regulatory authority or impose any new obligations on private employers.

OPERATIVE PROVISIONS (VFA PROPOSAL)

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| Funding Source | Existing appropriations to the Department of Labor                                                        |
| Funding Amount | \$0 (no new appropriations)                                                                               |
| Sunset Years   | 5 years                                                                                                   |
| Oversight Body | House Committee on Education and Workforce and Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions |

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| <b>Enforcement Mechanism</b> | The President shall issue the proclamation annually; the Secretary of Labor must submit the biennial report to Congress, and failure to submit triggers a GAO review of the Department's compliance. |
| <b>Effective Date</b>        | Upon enactment                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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## **CONSTITUTIONAL BASIS**

- Article I, Section 8, Clause 18
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## **WHY BOTH SIDES CAN BACK IT (VFA'S ASSESSMENT)**

Honors Democratic priorities by formally recognizing warehouse workers and gathering data on their working conditions and safety; honors Republican priorities by imposing no new regulations, no new spending, and limiting the federal role to symbolic recognition and non-binding data collection.

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