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WASHINGTON, D.C., June 21--- U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) cosponsored last week a Senate Joint Resolution that would authorize the President to issue annually a proclamation designating the period from Oct. 12 through 19 of each year as National Patriotic Education Week.

Dole explained that the dates chosen "have special significance, beginning on Columbus Day, marking the discovery of the Western Hemisphere, and ending on Yorktown Day, commemorating the decisive victory in the last great battle in the War for Independence.

The Kansas Senator commented:

"I think we have often been remiss in not exposing our young people to the unique elements of greatness that comprise the foundation of our nation. This week would be one for special study of the American democracy, the founding fathers, and the Constitution."