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# **SRES 516**

A resolution recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day and expressing the sense of the Senate that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future.

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Chamber: Senate

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### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]

Party: Democratic • State: IL • Chamber: Senate

#### **Cosponsors** (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		Jun 19, 2006
Sen. Frist, William H. [R-TN]	R · TN		Jun 19, 2006
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 19, 2006
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Jun 19, 2006

## **Committee Activity**

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Commemorations

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HCONRES 160	Related bill	Jun 22, 2005: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
109 SCONRES 42	Identical bill	Jun 15, 2005: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6664)

Recognizes the historical significance to the nation, and supports the continued celebration, of Juneteenth Independence Day (June 19, 1865, the day Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas, with news that the Civil War had ended and that the enslaved African Americans were free).

Declares the sense of the Senate that: (1) history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future; and (2) the celebration of the end of slavery is an important and enriching part of the history and heritage of the United States.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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