

One Hundred Sixth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday,
the twenty-fourth day of January, two thousand*

Concurrent Resolution

Whereas March 16, 2001, is the 250th anniversary of the birth of James Madison, Father of the United States Constitution and fourth President of the United States;

Whereas the ideals of James Madison, as expressed in the Constitution he conceived for the American Nation and in the principles of freedom he established in the Bill of Rights, are the foundations of American Government and life;

Whereas James Madison's lifetime of public service, as a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, as a delegate to the Continental Congress during the American Revolution, as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention in 1787, as a leader in the House of Representatives, as Secretary of State, and as the Nation's fourth President, are an inspiration to all men, women, and children in the conduct of their personal and private lives; and

Whereas the ideals and inspiring example of James Madison are of utmost importance to the future of the American Nation as it enters a new millennium: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—

(1) recognizes the historical significance of James Madison's birth, as well as his contributions to the Nation during his lifetime;

(2) urges all American patriotic and civil associations, labor organizations, schools, universities, historical societies, and communities of learning and worship, together with citizens throughout the United States, to develop appropriate programs and educational activities to recognize and celebrate the life and achievements of James Madison; and

(3) requests that the President issue a proclamation recognizing the 250th anniversary of the birth of James Madison and calling upon the people of the United States to observe

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the life and legacy of James Madison with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Attest:

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate.