

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 279

Congratulating Henry “Hank” Aaron on the 25th anniversary of breaking the Major League Baseball career home run record established by Babe Ruth and recognizing him as one of the greatest baseball players of all time.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 5, 1999

Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Congratulating Henry “Hank” Aaron on the 25th anniversary of breaking the Major League Baseball career home run record established by Babe Ruth and recognizing him as one of the greatest baseball players of all time.

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron hit a historic home run in 1974 to become the all-time Major League Baseball home run leader;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron over the course of his career created a lasting legacy in the game of baseball and continues to contribute to society through his Chasing the Dream Foundation;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron hit more than 40 home runs in 8 different seasons;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron appeared in 20 All-Star games;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility, receiving one of the highest vote totals (406 votes) in the history of National Baseball Hall of Fame voting;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame on August 1, 1982;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron finished his career in 1976 with 755 home runs, a lifetime batting average of .305, and 2,297 runs batted in;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron taught us to follow our dreams;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron continues to serve the community through his various commitments to charities and as corporate vice president of community relations for Turner Broadcasting;

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron became one of the first African-Americans in Major League Baseball upper management, as Atlanta’s vice president of player development; and

Whereas Henry “Hank” Aaron is one of the greatest baseball players: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) congratulates Henry “Hank” Aaron on his
3 great achievements in baseball and recognizes Henry
4 “Hank” Aaron as one of the greatest professional
5 baseball players of all time; and

1 (2) commends Henry “Hank” Aaron for his
2 commitment to young people, earning him a perma-
3 nent place in both sports history and American soci-
4 ety.

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