

107TH CONGRESS
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S. J. RES. 8

Designating 2002 as the “Year of the Rose”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 20, 2001

Ms. LANDRIEU introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice
and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Designating 2002 as the “Year of the Rose”.

Whereas the study of fossils has shown that the rose has
been a native wild flower in the United States for over
35,000,000 years;

Whereas the rose is grown today in every State;

Whereas the rose has long represented love, friendship, beau-
ty, peace, and the devotion of the American people to
their country;

Whereas the rose has been cultivated and grown in gardens
for over 5,000 years and is referred to in both the Old
and New Testaments;

Whereas the rose has for many years been the favorite flower
of the American people, has captivated the affection of
humankind, and has been revered and renowned in art,
music, and literature;

Whereas our first President was also our first rose breeder,
 1 of his varieties being named after his mother and still
 being grown today; and

Whereas in 1986 the rose was designated and adopted as the
 national floral emblem of the United States: Now, there-
 fore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
 2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
 3 That Congress—

4 (1) designates the year of 2002 as the “Year of
 5 the Rose”; and

6 (2) requests the President to issue a proclama-
 7 tion calling on the people of the United States to ob-
 8 serve the year with appropriate ceremonies and ac-
 9 tivities.

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