

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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Honoring the city of Dayton, Ohio, and its many partners, for hosting “Inventing Flight: The Centennial Celebration”, a celebration of the centennial of Wilbur and Orville Wright’s first flight.



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Whereas 2003 marks the centennial of Wilbur and Orville Wright's achievement of the first controlled, powered flight in history;

Whereas Wilbur and Orville Wright grew up and worked at a bicycle shop in Dayton, Ohio, where they developed, built, and refined the first successful, heavier-than-air, manned, powered aircraft;

Whereas the Wright brothers developed the world's first flying field, the world's first flying school, and the world's first airplane manufacturing company in the Dayton, Ohio area;

Whereas many legacies of the Wrights' inventiveness and creativity still exists in the region, including Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, the United States Air Force Museum, the National Aviation Hall of Fame, the Wright "B" Flyers, the Engineers Club of Dayton, among many others;

Whereas the city of Dayton, area communities, a number of civic groups, private businesses, government agencies, and military partners, are joining together to honor the Nation's aerospace achievements;

Whereas Dayton is considered the "Birthplace of Aviation" and the region will host "Inventing Flight: The Centennial Celebration", from July 3 through July 20, 2003, which will be the largest public centennial event in Ohio celebrating the first flight and one of only 4 events nationwide endorsed as a full partner by the United States Centennial of Flight Commission; and

Whereas the celebration will feature pavilions housing aviation displays, blimp and hot-air balloon races, dance and cultural performances, river shows, historical reenactments, an international air and space symposium, National Aviation Hall of Fame ceremonies, and a military and general aviation show at the Dayton International Airport: Now, therefore, be it

- 1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring)*, That Congress honors the city of Dayton,

1 Ohio, and its many partners, for hosting “Inventing  
2 Flight: The Centennial Celebration”, a celebration of the  
3 centennial of Wilbur and Orville Wright’s first flight.

Passed the House of Representatives June 9, 2003.

Attest:

*Clerk.*