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Recognizing the thousands of Freemasons in every State in the Nation and honoring them for their many contributions to the Nation throughout its history.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## March 5, 2003

Mr. SMITH of Michigan (for himself, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. DOO-LITTLE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. PETRI, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee, and Mr. COL-LINS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

## **RESOLUTION**

- Recognizing the thousands of Freemasons in every State in the Nation and honoring them for their many contributions to the Nation throughout its history.
- Whereas Freemasons, whose long lineage extends back to before the Nation's founding, have set an example of high moral standards and charity for all people;
- Whereas the Founding Fathers of this great Nation and signers of the Constitution, most of whom were Freemasons, provided a well-rounded basis for developing themselves and others into valuable citizens of the United States;

- Whereas members of the Masonic Fraternity, both individually and as an organization, continue to make invaluable charitable contributions of service to the United States;
- Whereas the Masonic Fraternity continues to provide for the charitable relief and education of the citizens of the United States;
- Whereas the Masonic Fraternity is deserving of formal recognition of their long history of care-giving for the citizenry and their example of high moral standards; and
- Whereas Freemasons have always revered and celebrated St. John's Day, June 24th, as dedicated to their patron saints: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
  - 2 nizes the thousands of Freemasons in every State in the
  - 3 Nation and honors them for their many contributions to
  - 4 the Nation throughout its history.

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