

## **H. Res. 723**

### ***In the House of Representatives, U.S.,***

*July 21, 2004.*

Whereas President John F. Kennedy set a goal of landing Americans on the moon and returning them safely to Earth;

Whereas the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) created the Apollo space program to fulfill the goal set by President Kennedy;

Whereas on July 16, 1969, the Apollo 11 mission launched into space to attempt the first manned lunar landing;

Whereas on July 20, 1969, at 10:56 p.m. eastern daylight time, astronaut Neil A. Armstrong ushered in a new era in space exploration when he stepped onto the lunar surface and declared, “That’s one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.”;

Whereas Neil Armstrong, the mission commander, and fellow astronauts Michael Collins, the command module pilot, and Edwin E. “Buzz” Aldrin, Jr., the lunar module pilot, exemplified bravery and determination in successfully completing the mission;

Whereas the Apollo 11 mission demonstrated the technological abilities of the United States and established the United States as a leader in space exploration;

Whereas the Apollo 11 mission inspired further exploration of the universe and led to more than three decades of continued voyage and discovery; and

Whereas the Apollo 11 mission continues to inspire exploration as NASA envisions returning to the moon and eventually landing a person on Mars: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes the 35th anniversary of the Apollo 11 lunar landing;

(2) commends the astronauts and other men and women of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) whose efforts assured the success of the Apollo 11 mission; and

(3) supports the continued leadership of the United States in the exploration of space.

Attest:

*Clerk.*