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H. CON. RES. 190

Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the congressional
Christmas celebration.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CHRISTENSEN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was
referred to the Committee on House Oversight

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the
congressional Christmas celebration.

Whereas celebrating Christmas is a tradition in this Nation,
dating from before the Nation's founding and commemo-
rated each year by a national holiday; and

Whereas the congressional Christmas event celebrates Ameri-
ca's rich and diverse heritage of honoring the Christmas
spirit of unity, service, and reconciliation through the Na-
tion's history; Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring),*

1 **SECTION 1. USE OF THE CAPITOL ROTUNDA FOR THE CON-**

2 **GRESSIONAL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The American Compass (here-
4 after in this resolution referred to as the “sponsor”) shall
5 be permitted to sponsor a Christmas celebration (hereafter
6 in this resolution referred to as the “event”) in the ro-
7 tunda of the Capitol on Monday, December 8, 1997 (plus
8 the 2 days before for setup and rehearsal).

9 (b) **TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**—The event shall be
10 open to all Members and their families, free of admission
11 charge, and arranged so as not to interfere with the needs
12 of Congress, under conditions to be prescribed by the Ar-
13 chitect of the Capitol and the Capitol Police Board. The
14 sponsor shall assume full responsibility for all expenses
15 and liabilities incident to all activities associated with the
16 event.

17 (c) **STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT.**—For the pur-
18 poses of the event, the sponsor is authorized to erect in
19 the rotunda of the Capitol such stage, sound devices, light-
20 ing devices, and related structures and equipment as may
21 be required to conduct the event, subject to the approval
22 of the Architect of the Capitol.

23 (d) **ADDITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS.**—The Architect of
24 the Capitol and the Capitol Police Board are authorized
25 to make any such additional arrangements as may be nec-

1 essary to carry out the event consistent with good order
2 and protection of the Capitol and the Capitol grounds.

3 **SEC. 2. SPONSORSHIP OR ENDORSEMENT.**

4 Nothing contained in this resolution shall constitute
5 approval or endorsement of the sponsor. This resolution
6 does not in any way constitute approval or endorsement
7 by the United States Government, or any of its agencies,
8 of any activity or expression, religious or otherwise, of the
9 sponsor.

