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H. CON. RES. 292

Supporting the goals of the Year of the Rose.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 19, 2001

Mr. McCRERY submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was
referred to the Committee on Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals of the Year of the Rose.

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

Whereas the rose is grown today in every State in the United
States;

Whereas the rose has long been used to symbolize love,
friendship, beauty, peace, and the devotion of the people
of the United States to their Nation;

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 captivated the affection
of humankind and it has been revered in art, music, and
literature;

Whereas George Washington was a breeder of roses and one of his varieties, named after his mother, is still grown today;

Whereas in 1986 the rose was designated as the national floral emblem of the United States; and

Whereas the American Rose Society has designated 2002 as the Year of the Rose: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the Congress—

3 (1) supports the goals of the Year of the Rose;

4 and

5 (2) encourages the President to issue a procla-
6 mation calling on the people of the United States to
7 observe the year with appropriate ceremonies and
8 activities.

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