

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CAPITOL GROUNDS FOR  
THE OPENING CEREMONIES OF SUNRAYCE '99

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MARCH 16, 1999.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Mr. SHUSTER, from the Committee on Transportation and  
Infrastructure, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Con. Res. 48]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 48) authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the opening ceremonies of Sunrayce '99, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the concurrent resolution be agreed to.

House Concurrent Resolution 48, authorizes the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Sunrayce '99 solar power car event scheduled for June 20, 1999, or on such other date as the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration may jointly designate. The resolution also authorizes the Architect of the Capitol, the Capitol Police Board, and the sponsors of the event, to negotiate the necessary arrangements for carrying out the event in complete compliance with the rules and regulations governing the use of the Capitol Grounds. The event is open to the public and free of admission charge; and the sponsor will assume responsibility for all expenses and liabilities related to the event. In addition, sales, advertisements, and solicitations are explicitly prohibited on the Capitol Grounds for this event.

This day honors intercollegiate men and women who have taken part in the innovation and development of the solar power cars making the five-state sweep, from the Capitol Grounds to Orlando, Florida. Scholarship achievement awards will be awarded to participants that display exceptional levels of technical innovation, engineering excellence, artistic excellence, teamwork and good sportsmanship. This day will help us all understand solar energy better.

## COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On March 11, 1999, the Committee met in open session and ordered reported H. Con. Res. 48, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for Sunrayce '99, approved March 11, 1999, by the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation, by voice vote with a quorum present. There were no recorded votes taken during Committee consideration of H. Con. Res. 48.

## RECORD VOTES

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the House of Representatives requires each committee report to include the total number of votes cast for and against on each record vote on a motion to report and on any amendment offered to the measure or matter, and the names of those members voting for and against. There were no recorded votes taken in connection with ordering H. Con. Res. 48 reported. A motion by Mr. Franks to order H. Con. Res. 48 favorably reported to the House was agreed to by voice vote, a quorum being present.

## COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives does not apply where a cost estimate and comparison prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 has been timely submitted prior to the filing of the report and is included in the report. Such a cost estimate is included in this report.

## COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee references the report of the Congressional Budget Office below.

2. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has received no report of oversight findings and recommendations from the Committee on Government Reform on the subject of H. Con. Res. 48.

3. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for H. Con. Res. 48 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

*H. Con. Res. 48—Authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the opening ceremonies of Sunrayce 99*

H. Con. Res. 48 would authorize the organizers of Sunrayce 99 to use the Capitol grounds on June 20, 1999, or on such other date as the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration may jointly designate. Because it would require that the sponsors assume responsibility for

all expenses and liabilities associated with the event, CBO estimates that passage of H. Con. Res. 48 would result in no significant cost to the federal government.

In addition, H. Con. Res. 48 would require the sponsors to enter into an agreement with the Architect of the Capitol and the Capitol Police Board to comply with the resolution's provisions or face financial penalties. CBO estimates that the amount of any additional penalties under this provision would be negligible.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is John R. Righter. The estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, committee reports on a bill or joint resolution of a public character shall include a statement citing the specific powers granted to the Congress in the Constitution to enact the measure. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure finds that Congress has the authority to enact this measure pursuant to its powers granted under article I, section 8 of the Constitution.

