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Joint Resolution

Feb. 16, 1990
[H.J. Res. 149]

Designating February 16, 1990, as "Lithuanian Independence Day".

Whereas February 16, 1990, is the 72nd anniversary of the declaration of independence of Lithuania;

Whereas on February 16, 1918, the Council of Lithuania, the sole representative of the Lithuanian people, in conformity with the recognized right to national self determination, proclaimed the restoration of an independent and democratic Lithuania and ended all ties that formally subordinated Lithuania to other nations;

Whereas Lithuania was independent until 1940 when the Soviet Union took over the country;

Whereas the United States opposes tyranny and injustice in all forms and supports the cause of Lithuanian independence; and

Whereas the oppressed people currently living in Lithuania keep the flame of freedom forever burning in their hearts: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That February 16, 1990, is designated as "Lithuanian Independence Day", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to celebrate such day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved February 16, 1990.

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