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HARRY S. TRUMAN, President; ALBEN W. BARKLEY, Vice President; KENNETH MCKELLAR, President of the Senate *pro tempore;* SAM RAYBURN, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[CHAPTER 1]

JOINT RESOLUTION

January 18, 1949
[S. J. Res. 16]
[Public Law 1]

Making January 20 and 21, 1949, holidays for Federal employees and employees of the District of Columbia in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia.

Federal and D. C. employees, holiday.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the several executive departments, independent establishments, and other governmental agencies of the United States, including the legislative and judicial branches, and of the District of Columbia, in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia shall be closed all day on Thursday, January 20, 1949, Inauguration Day, and on the succeeding day, Friday, January 21, 1949. All employees of such departments, establishments, and agencies and of the District of Columbia in such area, except those who may for special public reasons be required to be on duty on such days by the heads of their respective departments, establishments, or agencies, shall be excused from duty on those days; and such days shall be considered holidays for the purpose of all statutes relating to the compensation and leave of employees of the United States, and of the District of Columbia, employed in such area. For the purposes of this resolution, the term "metropolitan area of the District of Columbia" shall include, in addition to the District of Columbia, Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties, Maryland; Arlington and Fairfax Counties, Virginia; and the city of Alexandria, Virginia.

"Metropolitan area of the District of Columbia."

Approved January 18, 1949.