Public Law 98-356
98th Congress

Joint Resolution

To designate 1984 as the "Year of the St. Lawrence Seaway" and June 27, 1984, as "St. Lawrence Seaway Day".

July 11, 1984
[H.J. Res. 567]

Whereas the Great Lakes have long been recognized as a valuable transportation resource by Americans and Canadians;

Whereas it was not until the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway in 1959 that mid-continent North America was able to fully enjoy the economies and efficiencies inherent in deep-draft, waterborne commerce;

Whereas the St. Lawrence Seaway is a symbol of the thriving climate of constructive cooperation which exists between the United States and Canada;

Whereas, since the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway in 1959, more than one billion metric tons of cargo have moved through the Seaway to the far reaches of the globe;

Whereas June 27, 1984, will mark the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway to deep-draft navigation at the Dwight D. Eisenhower Lock, Massena, New York; and

Whereas it is appropriate to recognize, acknowledge, and proclaim the importance of the St. Lawrence Seaway to the economic well-being of mid-continent North America and the significance of the St. Lawrence Seaway-Great Lakes navigation system in the overall transportation network of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That—

(1) 1984 is designated as the "Year of the St. Lawrence Seaway", and

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(2) June 27, 1984, is designated as "St. Lawrence Seaway Day".

The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such year and such day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved July 11, 1984.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.J. Res. 567:

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