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H. CON. RES. 229

Expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued honoring the United States Submarine Force on its 100th anniversary.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 1998

Mr. GEJDENSON (for himself, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BATEMAN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Mr. KING, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SKELTON, Mrs. LINDA SMITH of Washington, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. STUMP, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mr. WOLF) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued honoring the United States Submarine Force on its 100th anniversary.

Whereas, in the year 2000, the United States Submarine Force will celebrate a century of service to the Nation;

Whereas little has captured our imagination more than exploring the ocean depths;

Whereas submarine technology has proven invaluable to our Nation by strengthening our national defense, preserving

world maritime freedom, and producing scientific breakthroughs;

Whereas submarines have not only provided a remarkable strategic platform, but have helped establish a firm foundation for scientific exploration;

Whereas the United States Submarine Force was responsible for 55 percent of all Japanese shipping destroyed during World War II even though submariners constituted only 2 percent of all United States Navy personnel serving in that war;

Whereas 52 American submarines and over 3500 American submariners were lost during World War II;

Whereas, in peacetime, the Silent Service continues to patrol around the clock under the oceans to keep us free; and

Whereas veterans of the United States Submarine Force have served with honor and courage, risking their lives in combat against determined foes and always against an unforgiving sea: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) a commemorative postage stamp should be
4 issued by the United States Postal Service honoring
5 the United States Submarine Force on its 100th anniversary; and
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7 (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
8 should recommend to the Postmaster General that
9 such a stamp be issued.

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