## H. Res. 217

## In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

September 24, 1997.

- Whereas the United States and the Republic of Austria have enjoyed close and friendly relations since the inception of the Republic of Austria;
- Whereas 1997 marks the 50th anniversary of the Marshall Plan which was critically important to the reconstruction of the Republic of Austria and to the establishment of friendly ties between the Republic of Austria and the United States;
- Whereas on September 26, 1945, a conference of representatives of the nine Federal states of the Republic of Austria was held in Vienna that laid the foundation for the provisional Austrian Government and the early elections in November 1945; and
- Whereas a number of States have already proclaimed September 26, 1997, as "Austrian-American Day": Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) declares that the warm and cordial relations between the people of the United States and the Republic of Austria should grow stronger; and (2) acknowledges the important contributions to the United States by Americans of Austrian heritage.

Attest:

Clerk.