

H. Res. 267

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

August 2, 1999.

Whereas Shuttle Mission STS–93 successfully deployed the Chandra X-Ray Observatory;

Whereas the Chandra X-Ray Observatory will provide scientists from around the world with a better understanding of the structure and evolution of the universe;

Whereas Shuttle Mission STS–93 is the first mission in the history of the United States space program to be commanded by a woman;

Whereas women continue to be underrepresented in the science, engineering, and technology fields;

Whereas the selection of Colonel Eileen Collins as the first female space shuttle commander has raised the level of awareness and appreciation of women’s contributions in the advancement of science; and

Whereas Colonel Eileen Collins’ accomplishments in the United States space program have made her a role model for women pursuing an education and career in scientific fields: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates the crew of Shuttle Mission STS–93 and honors Colonel Eileen Collins on being the first female commander of a United States space shuttle;

(2) recognizes the important contribution Colonel Eileen Collins has made to the United States space program and to the advancement of women in science; and

(3) invites Colonel Eileen Collins and the crew of STS–93 to the United States Capitol to be honored and recognized by the House of Representatives for their achievements.

Attest:

Clerk.