

107TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. CON. RES. 18

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 1, 2001

Referred to the Committee on International Relations

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing the achievements and contributions of the Peace Corps over the past 40 years, and for other purposes.

Whereas the Peace Corps has become a powerful symbol of the commitment of the United States to encourage progress, create opportunity, and expand development at the grassroots level in the developing world;

Whereas more than 162,000 Americans have served as Peace Corps volunteers in 134 countries in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Central Asia, Eastern and Central Europe, and Central and South America since 1961;

Whereas Peace Corps volunteers have made significant and lasting contributions around the world in agriculture, business, education, health, and the environment, and have improved the lives of individuals and communities around the world;

Whereas Peace Corps volunteers have strengthened the ties of friendship and understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries;

Whereas Peace Corps volunteers, enriched by their experiences overseas, have brought their communities throughout the United States a deeper understanding of other cultures and traditions, thereby bringing a domestic dividend to the United States;

Whereas Peace Corps volunteers embody and represent many of the most enduring values of the United States, such as a spirit of service, a commitment to helping others, and a call for friendship among nations;

Whereas the Peace Corps continues to receive broad, bipartisan support in Congress and from the American people; and

Whereas March 1, 2001, will mark the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Peace Corps: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*  
2       *concurring), That—*

3               (1) the achievements and contributions of the  
4       Peace Corps over the past 40 years be celebrated;

5               (2) the dedication and sacrifice of Peace Corps  
6       volunteers, past and present, be recognized and their  
7       continued contributions be acknowledged not only  
8       for their service in other countries but also in their  
9       own communities; and

10              (3) the President is requested to honor Peace  
11      Corps volunteers and reaffirm the commitment of

1       the United States to international peace and under-  
2       standing.

3       SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit  
4 a copy of this concurrent resolution to the President.

Passed the Senate February 28, 2001.

Attest:

GARY SISCO,  
*Secretary.*