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2D SESSION

H. CON. RES. 373

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 11, 2004

Received; referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and
Pensions

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that Kids Love a Mystery
is a program that promotes literacy and should be en-
couraged.

Whereas knowledge, wisdom, and children are the greatest
assets of a democracy;

Whereas books enable one generation to pass on its knowl-
edge and wisdom to the next;

Whereas learning to read is one of the greatest privileges the
Nation extends to its children;

Whereas children most often choose mysteries as their favorite books;

Whereas the Mystery Writers of America sponsors Kids Love a Mystery, an outreach program designed to bring mystery writers and children together to encourage literacy and the love of reading; and

Whereas the Mystery Writers of America recognizes the value in celebrating the importance of reading for children: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) Kids Love a Mystery is a program that
4 helps promote literacy and reading and should be
5 supported and encouraged; and

6 (2) the President should issue a proclamation
7 encouraging the people of the United States and in-
8 terested groups to promote Kids Love a Mystery
9 with appropriate programs and activities.

Passed the House of Representatives March 11,
2004.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.