

108TH CONGRESS  
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# H. CON. RES. 42

Expressing the sense of Congress that a postage stamp should be issued  
in honor of Melvin Jones.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 13, 2003

Mr. FROST submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred  
to the Committee on Government Reform

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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should be issued in honor of Melvin Jones.

Whereas Melvin Jones was born on January 13, 1879, at  
Fort Thomas, Arizona, and passed away on June 1,  
1961, at the age of 82;

Whereas Melvin Jones founded the International Association  
of Lions Clubs in 1917, under the premise that such  
clubs shall not hold the financial betterment of their  
members as their object;

Whereas the International Association of Lions Clubs, known  
as Lions International, held its first convention in Dallas,  
Texas, in October, 1917, electing Melvin Jones Secretary;

Whereas Melvin Jones abandoned his job at an insurance  
agency to devote himself full time to the Lions;

Whereas Lions International has 44,500 clubs with over 1.4 million members in 186 countries and geographical areas worldwide;

Whereas Lions Club members give their time, skills, and resources to encourage charitable giving for the benefit of their communities, and for worthy projects throughout the world;

Whereas Lions International has raised billions of dollars for various charitable causes, including sight conservation, diabetes awareness, cancer research, and disaster relief; and

Whereas, for over 80 years, Lions International has benefited countless persons by fulfilling the mission set out by Melvin Jones in the Association's motto, We Serve: 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) the United States Postal Service should  
4       issue a postage stamp in honor of Melvin Jones; and

5               (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee  
6       should recommend to the Postmaster General that  
7       such a postage stamp be issued.

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