

# One Hundred Ninth Congress of the United States of America

## AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday,  
the fourth day of January, two thousand and five*

### Concurrent Resolution

Whereas the Sigma Chi Fraternity was founded in 1855 by seven young men at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio in order to establish “an association for the development of the nobler powers of the mind, the finer feelings of the heart, and for the promotion of friendship and congeniality of feeling”;

Whereas the Founders of the Fraternity believed that admission to the Fraternity should include men of good character and fair ability with ambitious purposes, congenial dispositions, good morals, a high sense of honor, and a deep sense of personal responsibility;

Whereas for 150 years, the Sigma Chi Fraternity has played an integral role in the positive development in the character and education of hundreds of thousands of young men;

Whereas the brothers of Sigma Chi, being of different talents, temperaments, and convictions, have shared countless friendships and a common belief in the founding ideals of the Fraternity;

Whereas the Sigma Chi Fraternity experience has served as a foundation for post-collegiate success and achievement in all fields of endeavor, from the sciences to education to business to professional athletics to public service;

Whereas the Sigma Chi Fraternity has 202,600 active brothers in 219 active chapters at colleges and universities in 2 countries, making it one of the most highly respected and well-regarded national fraternities in the world; and

Whereas Sigma Chi brothers continue to enrich and contribute to the quality of life in their communities by volunteering innumerable hours of service to nonprofit activities and organizations at the national and local levels: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),* That Congress recognizes and honors the Sigma Chi Fraternity on its 150-year anniversary; commends its Founders and all Sigma Chi brothers, past and present, for their bond of friendship, common ideals and beliefs, and service to community; and expresses

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its best wishes to this most respected and cherished of national fraternities for continued success and growth.

Attest:

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*