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H. RES. 394

Recognizing the city of Port Jervis, New York, on its centennial.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HALL of New York submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the city of Port Jervis, New York, on its centennial.

Whereas the city of Port Jervis is known as the Queen of the Shawangunks, the River City and the Gateway to the Upper Delaware River;

Whereas the land of Port Jervis was first founded by colonists in 1683, incorporated as a village in 1853, and as a city in 1907;

Whereas Port Jervis was a port on the Delaware and Hudson Canal and bears the name of the canal's chief engineer John B. Jervis;

Whereas Port Jervis has long been a transportation hub, at the mouth of the Delaware River, as a center for the Erie Railroad;

Whereas Port Jervis is home of the Tri-States Rock, where the states of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania meet;

Whereas the Port Jervis steam engine turntable is the largest in the United States, with a diameter of 115 feet, turned by two 40 horsepower, 440 volt, 3 phase electric motors;

Whereas Port Jervis is home to Fort Decker, attacked during the Revolutionary War on July 20, 1779;

Whereas the city of Port Jervis was home to three Members of the U.S. House of Representatives, Marvin Francis, Charles St. John, and native William Stiles Bennet;

Whereas author Stephen Crane lived and wrote in Port Jervis, sitting at the base of the town's Soldiers and Sailors Monument, listening to the soldiers from the 124th NY "Orange Blossoms" Regiment; and

Whereas former Port Jervis High School wrestlers, Ed and Lou Banach, won Gold Medals in the 1984 Olympics: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
- 2 nizes the City of Port Jervis, New York, on its centennial
- 3 and the contributions of that city to America's historical,
- 4 political, cultural, and environmental heritage.

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