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H. CON. RES. 61

Designating a National Railroad Memorial located in Diamond District Park in historic downtown Durand, Michigan, as the "National Railroad Memorial".

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 16, 2011

Mr. Rogers of Michigan submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Designating a National Railroad Memorial located in Diamond District Park in historic downtown Durand, Michigan, as the "National Railroad Memorial".

Whereas the National Railroad Memorial in Durand, Michigan, is organized as an incorporated, not-for-profit organization in the State of Michigan, and is devoted to inspiring national recognition of the men and women of the railroad industry who helped build and develop the United States of America;

Whereas the National Railroad Memorial has as its mission: To honor the men and women of the railroad industry by educating the public as to the importance of their roles in our Nation's past, present, and future;

- Whereas the National Railroad Memorial is an idea originally conceived by William Taylor, Jr., of Niles, Michigan, to honor the men and women of the railroad industry;
- Whereas the National Railroad Memorial is a centerpiece of Diamond District Park, located at the historic crossroads of three major railroads and one of the largest surviving train stations in the United States;
- Whereas the National Railroad Memorial is intended to encompass the statuary, structures, and historic railroad equipment located in historic Durand, Michigan;
- Whereas the National Railroad Memorial is designed to be a destination attraction, located in the middle of the spectacular Great Lakes region, for visitors from all over the world; and
- Whereas the National Railroad Memorial Inc., in conjunction with the Michigan Railroad History Museum and the Steam Railroading Institute, seeks to educate a diverse audience through exceptional exhibits, that provide educational programing for adults and children: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that a Na-
 - 3 tional Railroad Museum located in Diamond District Park
 - 4 in historic downtown Durand, Michigan, be designated as
 - 5 the "National Railroad Memorial".