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H. RES. 769

Expressing support for Lunchtime Music on the Mall in Washington, DC,
and honoring the public service of the performers and sponsors.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 2, 2012

Ms. NORTON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Natural Resources

RESOLUTION

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Washington, DC, and honoring the public service of the
performers and sponsors.

Whereas Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton has intro-
duced the “National Mall Revitalization and Designation
Act” (H.R. 1972);

Whereas the National Park Service said it could implement
parts of H.R. 1972 administratively;

Whereas Robert Vogel, the National Park Service Super-
intendent for the National Mall, has engaged in activities
to enliven the Mall, and enriched the experience for those
who visit;

Whereas many Federal and other office workers have offices
in the vicinity of the National Mall;

Whereas the National Mall is a national treasure, supported by United States taxpayer dollars, that provides a unique park space offering a lunchtime break from the rush of business in Washington, DC;

Whereas the District of Columbia and the National Capital Region are home to many amateur and professional musicians;

Whereas many of these musicians are continually looking for venues to display their talent for the enjoyment of others;

Whereas the National Mall provides a natural stage for the display of such talent;

Whereas the National Park Service has made available a central location near the Smithsonian Metro Station, an area frequented by visitors and commuters alike;

Whereas the National Park Service and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority are sponsoring Lunchtime Music on the Mall every Tuesday and Thursday from noon to 1:30 p.m., during the good weather months;

Whereas Lunchtime Music on the Mall benefits office workers and many of the 200,000,000 annual visitors to Washington, DC;

Whereas Michael McBride, Manager of MetroARTS, provides outstanding service as producer of Lunchtime Music on the Mall; and

Whereas 2012 is the first season for Lunchtime Music on the Mall: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

1 (1) recognizes Lunchtime Music on the Mall as
2 an enhancement to urban life in Washington, DC,
3 and to the appreciation of the National Mall;

4 (2) salutes the performers participating in
5 Lunchtime Music on the Mall; and

6 (3) commends the National Park Service and
7 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority for
8 their public service in providing live music perform-
9 ances at no charge to the public.

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