

107<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. CON. RES. 215

Expressing the sense of Congress that a series of postage stamps should be issued to commemorate each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the territories of Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 2, 2001

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

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that a series of postage stamps should be issued to commemorate each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the territories of Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Whereas the issuance of a series of postage stamps commemorating each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the territories of Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico would increase public awareness of the diversity among the jurisdictions that together form the United States;

Whereas it would be appropriate for such a series of postage stamps to be known as the “E Pluribus Unum series”;

Whereas the United States Postal Service honors a rich variety of historic and cultural figures, events, and places through the issuance of commemorative postage stamps;

Whereas the Citizens’ Stamp Advisory Committee deserves to be commended for recommending to the Postmaster General subjects for commemorative postage stamps that are both interesting and educational;

Whereas the Postmaster General and the United States Postal Service deserve to be commended for their valuable work in selecting and issuing commemorative postage stamps that are interesting and educational;

Whereas the issuance of the E Pluribus Unum series of postage stamps would, because of its educational value and interesting and collectible nature, generate earnings for the United States Postal Service in addition to serving as a valuable tool in educating the people of the United States about the diversity and contributions of the jurisdictions that form the United States;

Whereas such a series of postage stamps would encourage the general public to use, share, and collect memorable keepsakes of all the States and territories of the United States; and

Whereas it is timely and appropriate to issue a series of postage stamps collectively depicting the flags or other suitable emblems of all the States and territories of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

- 1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that—

- 1           (1) a series of postage stamps should be issued  
2           by the United States Postal Service to commemorate  
3           each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and  
4           the territories of Guam, the Virgin Islands, Amer-  
5           ican Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern  
6           Mariana Islands, and the Commonwealth of Puerto  
7           Rico; and
- 8           (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee  
9           should recommend to the Postmaster General that  
10          such a series of postage stamps be issued.

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