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## GPO & LIBRARY OF CONGRESS BEGIN DIGITAL RELEASE OF HISTORICAL CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

Washington – The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) partners with the Library of Congress (LC) to release the digital version of the bound *Congressional Record* from 1991-1998 on GPO's **govinfo**. This release covers debates of the 102<sup>nd</sup> thru 105<sup>th</sup> Congresses. This era of Congress covers historical topics such as:

- The Persian Gulf War
- Bill Clinton's Presidency
- NAFTA
- Enactment of the Family and Medical Leave Act
- Republicans gaining control of both the House and Senate since 1954

GPO and LC will continue to collaborate on this important project and release digital versions of the bound *Congressional Record* back to the first one published by GPO on March 5, 1873. GPO publishes the *Congressional Record* in print and digitally on **govinfo** every day Congress is in session.

"The digital versions of the *Congressional Record* now gives the public easy access to the historic debates of Congress on smartphones, tablets, laptops and personal computers," said GPO Director Davita Vance-Cooks. "GPO is honored to partner with the Library of Congress to continue to meet the needs of Congress and the American people."

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