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To establish calendar year 1992 as the "Year of Clean Water".

Whereas, clean water is a natural resource of tremendous value and importance to the Nation;

Whereas, there is resounding public support for protecting and enhancing the quality of this Nation's rivers, streams, lakes, wetlands, and marine waters;

Whereas, maintaining and improving water quality is essential to protect public health, to protect fisheries and wildlife, and to assure abundant opportunities for public recreation;

Whereas, it is a national responsibility to provide clean water as a legacy for future generations;

Whereas, substantial progress has been made in protecting and enhancing water quality since passage of the 1972 Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act) due to concerted efforts by Federal, State, and local governments, the private sector, and the public;

Whereas, serious water pollution problems persist throughout the Nation and significant challenges lie ahead in the effort to protect water resources from point and nonpoint sources of conventional and toxic pollution;

Whereas, further development of water pollution control programs and advancement of water pollution control research, technology, and education are necessary and desirable; and

Whereas, October of 1992 is the 20th anniversary of the enactment into law of the Clean Water Act: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That, the Congress of the United States hereby designates calendar year 1992 as the "Year of Clean Water" and the month of October 1992 as "Clean Water Month" in celebration of the Nation's accomplishments under the Clean Water Act, and the firm commitment of the Nation to the goals of that Act.

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