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"OUR MERCHANT MARINE MARCH"

Whereas the American merchant marine is often justly referred to as the fourth arm of defense for its inestimable contributions to the Nation in the past both in time of peace and in time of war;

Whereas each of the other arms of national defense has its own patriotic march for its use on public occasions in parades and otherwise;

Whereas to date the American merchant marine has had no such suitable march for its use;

Whereas Mr. Earl W. Clark, well-known in the maritime community and The Propeller Club of the United States, has composed a stirring and memorable march for which he has also written inspiring lyrics;

Whereas the author and others have performed the march in public and in private on a number of occasions upon which it has always been enthusiastically received: Now, therefore, be it

Recognition as official march.

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that, "Our Merchant Marine March" as written and composed by Earl W. Clark be and it hereby is recognized as the official march of the American merchant marine.

SEC. 2. The Congress calls upon the maritime academies, other maritime organizations, and all those having an interest in the American merchant marine, to take appropriate action in order to insure the widest possible public acceptance and recognition of this music and its patriotic theme.

Agreed to April 10, 1979.

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ADJOURNMENT—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on Tuesday, April 10, 1979, it stand adjourned until 12 o'clock meridian on Monday, April 23, 1979, and that when the Senate recesses on Tuesday, April 10, 1979, it stand in recess until 12 o'clock meridian on Monday, April 23, 1979.

Agreed to April 10, 1979.