

103<sup>D</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. CON. RES. 258

Expressing the sense of the United States Congress that the Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee of the United States Postal Service should recommend to the Postmaster General that a postage stamp be issued honoring America's first African-American professional nurse, Mary Eliza Mahoney.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 23, 1994

Mr. HILLIARD submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

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Whereas the Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee decides who may be honored by having a stamp issued in their honor;

Whereas America's first professionally trained nurse graduated in 1873;

Whereas Mary Eliza Mahoney, who was born in 1845, graduated in 1879 from the New England Hospital for

Women and Children as America's first African-American professionally trained nurse;

Whereas, during her 40-year career, Mary Mahoney practiced nursing in New Jersey, Massachusetts, Washington, DC, and North Carolina;

Whereas in 1936, due to her unstinting work in the field of nursing, the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses established the Mary Mahoney Award; and

Whereas she has served as a role model for generations of young African-Americans who aspire to greatness: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the United States Con-  
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4 United States Postal Service should recommend to the  
5 Postmaster General that a postage stamp be issued honor-  
6 ing nurse Mary Eliza Mahoney.

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