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**S. J. RES. 121**

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Whereas German immigrants first arrived in America at Jamestown, Virginia, in October 1608, and the 400th anniversary of the arrival of these first Germans will be celebrated in 2008;

Whereas the first German settlement in America was founded on October 6th, 1683 at Germantown, Pennsylvania, and October 6, 1983, was designated as the German-American Tricentennial Celebration by Congressional Resolution and Presidential Proclamation;

Whereas the number of American citizens of German ancestry has grown to over 50 million since the first German immigrants arrived in this country;

Whereas German-Americans are proud of the existing friendship and cooperation between the Federal Republic of Germany and the United States;

Whereas the German-American Friendship Garden in Washington, D.C., is evidence of this cooperation;

Whereas German-Americans support expansion of the existing friendship between Germany and the United States, and will continue to contribute to the culture of the Unit-

ed States, support its government and democratic principles, and help ensure the freedom of all people;

Whereas German unification stands as a symbol of greater international cooperation and has reemphasized the prominent position of Germany in the European community and between the East and the West;

Whereas Congress unanimously passed joint resolutions designating October 6th of 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, and 1992, each as "German-American Day": Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3 That October 6, 1993 and 1994, are each designated as  
4 "German-American Day", and the President is authorized  
5 and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people  
6 of the United States to observe the days with appropriate  
7 ceremonies and activities.

Passed the Senate August 4 (legislative day, June 30), 1993.

Attest:

*Secretary.*