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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals of the Year of the Rose.

Whereas the study of fossils has shown that the rose has been a native wild flower in North America for over 35,000,000 years;

Whereas the rose is grown today in every State in the United States;

Whereas the rose has long been used to symbolize love, friendship, beauty, peace, and the devotion of the people of the United States to their Nation;

Whereas the rose has been cultivated and grown in gardens for over 5,000 years, and is referred to in both the Old and New Testaments;

Whereas the rose has for many years captivated the affection of humankind and it has been revered in art, music, and literature;

Whereas George Washington was a breeder of roses and one of his varieties, named after his mother, is still grown today;

Whereas in 1986 the rose was designated as the national floral emblem of the United States; and

Whereas the American Rose Society has designated 2002 as the Year of the Rose: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the Congress—

3 (1) supports the goals of the Year of the Rose;

4 and

5 (2) encourages the President to issue a procla-
6 mation calling on the people of the United States to
7 observe the year with appropriate ceremonies and
8 activities.

Passed the House of Representatives December 20,
2001.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.