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# H. CON. RES. 291

Recognizing and honoring the 400th anniversary of Quebec City in Quebec, Canada, since its founding in 1608 by French explorer Samuel de Champlain.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 12, 2008

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. MICHAUD) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing and honoring the 400th anniversary of Quebec City in Quebec, Canada, since its founding in 1608 by French explorer Samuel de Champlain.

Whereas the anniversary celebrations will highlight Quebec City's history and emphasize the many cultural and historical linkages between the people of Quebec, Canada, and the United States, a relationship which has stood for many centuries as a global example of mutual friendship and goodwill amongst neighbors;

Whereas, July 3, 2008, will mark the 400th anniversary of the founding of Quebec City by French explorer Samuel de Champlain, marking it as one of the oldest continually inhabited cities in North America and the only fortified

North American city north of Mexico left with its walls intact;

Whereas the site where Quebec City now stands has been a traditional meeting place for various people for over a millennium, from Native American tribes to newcomers from England and France, as well as many other nations, representing the intersection between the Old World and the New World;

Whereas Quebec City was the first permanent French colony to be established in North America and now stands as the thriving capital of Quebec as well as its second largest city;

Whereas Congress recognizes and honors the natural bonds of friendship and history that exist between the people of Quebec City and the states and provinces of the northeast where a significant portion of the population is of French Canadian, Quebecois, or Acadian descent; and

Whereas in honor of this significant event in the history of the Americas, Congress recognizes the 400th anniversary of Quebec City's founding: Now, therefore, be it

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

3            (1) recognizes Quebec City's 400th anniversary  
4        since its founding;

5            (2) honors the contributions to friendship and  
6        goodwill made by the people of Quebec City to North  
7        America; and

1           (3) encourages all Americans to visit Quebec  
2           City to help celebrate this unique event in North  
3           American history.

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