

110TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. RES. 1210

Supporting the designation of Destination ImagiNation Week.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 20, 2008

Mr. ROSS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on Education and Labor

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## RESOLUTION

Supporting the designation of Destination ImagiNation  
Week.

Whereas the Board of Trustees of Destination ImagiNation  
has declared the week beginning on May 19, 2008, to be  
Destination ImagiNation Week;

Whereas the future of our national workforce depends on de-  
veloping students with strong skills in creative and crit-  
ical thinking, teamwork, time management, and problem  
solving;

Whereas Destination ImagiNation is a community-based,  
school-friendly program dedicated to promoting these  
critical life skills;

Whereas Destination ImagiNation gives children a place to  
learn how to apply their individual knowledge and skills

to solve challenges as they work cooperatively within a team, pushing the limits of their imaginations;

Whereas the vision of Destination ImagiNation is to provide a positive and friendly environment in which participants can explore their own unlimited creativity and take creative risks in competition with themselves, rather than with others;

Whereas Destination ImagiNation was developed by parents, teachers, team managers (people who coach teams), appraisers (people who evaluate team solutions), regional directors, affiliate directors, and others who have the desire to help create the best possible creative, problem-solving program for teams of up to 7 students;

Whereas Destination ImagiNation offers a wide range of challenges for participants, including programs that focus on the performing and visual arts, geography, and writing;

Whereas each challenge offers students the chance to develop group projects that rely upon creativity to make the subject matter come to life;

Whereas Destination ImagiNation has operated as a non-profit, volunteer driven organization providing some 5,000,000 students with the skills needed to be successful;

Whereas Destination ImagiNation is the world's largest creativity, teamwork, and problem solving program with approximately 250,000 participants and 35,000 volunteers from 50 States and over 40 countries;

Whereas approximately 150,000 students in the United States, ages 4 to 20, will participate in statewide competitions this spring; and

Whereas 19,000 people from around the world will gather at the University of Tennessee to celebrate the Annual Global Finals Competition from May 21–24: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) recognizes and honors the teachers, schools,  
3               and volunteers that participate in Destination Imagi-  
4               Nation on a consistent and recurring basis and who,  
5               through their actions, contribute not only to the edu-  
6               cation of the students but also to the future of the  
7               country;

8               (2) acknowledges the students who participate  
9               in Destination ImagiNation for their understanding  
10              that learning is a lifelong process beginning at the  
11              earliest ages and continuing throughout adulthood;

12              (3) commends the students who participate in  
13              Destination ImagiNation for their dedication to con-  
14              tinually developing their problem solving, critical  
15              thinking, teamwork, and time management skills;

16              (4) encourages more teachers and schools to  
17              participate in Destination ImagiNation, thereby giv-  
18              ing more students the opportunity to develop these  
19              critical skills; and

20              (5) supports the designation of Destination  
21              ImagiNation Week.

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