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Joint Resolution

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Commending the New York Stock Exchange on the occasion of its bicentennial.

Whereas, on May 17, 1792, the New York Stock Exchange was founded by twenty-four merchants and brokers who gathered under a buttonwood tree in lower Manhattan to establish a reliable market for the trading of securities;

Whereas the New York Stock Exchange has helped finance America's growth from its very beginning, significantly contributing to job creation and to the development of the Nation's industry and technology;

Whereas the New York Stock Exchange is both the Nation's and the world's best known symbol of America's free enterprise system;

Whereas the New York Stock Exchange has committed its energy and expertise to advance our Nation's free market philosophy to other countries around the world; and

Whereas the New York Stock Exchange is a quasi-public institution, dedicated to the promotion of individual and institutional investor protection, and to just and equitable principles of trade: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the New York Stock Exchange is hereby commended on the occasion of its bicentennial. The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation acknowledging and commending this occasion.

Approved May 28, 1992.

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