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[H.J. Res. 214]

Recognizing the Astronauts Memorial at the John F. Kennedy Space Center as the national memorial to astronauts who die in the line of duty.

Whereas the purpose of the United States space program is to promote the peaceful exploration of space for the benefit of mankind;

Whereas the United States space program, including the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo missions and the Space Shuttle program, have made the United States the scientific and technological leader in aeronautical and space activities;

Whereas several citizens of the United States have exhibited the ultimate level of bravery by giving their lives in furtherance of the United States space program;

Whereas the Astronauts Memorial Foundation, the citizens of the State of Florida, and others have raised funds for the establishment of a memorial to honor the astronauts of the United States space program who die in the line of duty and have established a trust fund for the memorial's perpetual care;

Whereas construction of such memorial is expected to be completed by May 1991; and

Whereas it is appropriate to recognize the national importance of such memorial: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That—

16 USC 431 note.

(1) the memorial known as the Astronauts Memorial, located at the John F. Kennedy Space Center in Brevard County, Florida, is recognized as the national memorial to astronauts who die in the line of duty; and

(2) the National Aeronautics and Space Administration shall continue to have administrative jurisdiction for the care and management of the memorial and over the grounds on which the memorial is located.

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