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# H. RES. 556

**[Report No. 108–745]**

Congratulating the United States Geological Survey on its 125th Anniversary.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 10, 2004

Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. DICKS, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. KIND, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. REGULA, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, and Mr. BOEHLERT) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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Additional sponsors: Mr. EHLERS, Mr. ACEVEDO-VILÁ, Mr. FROST, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. WOLF, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. HONDA, Mr. WAMP, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. SCHIFF, and Mr. BLUMENAUER

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# RESOLUTION

Congratulating the United States Geological Survey on its 125th Anniversary.

Whereas March 3, 2004, will mark the 125th Anniversary of the establishment of the United States Geological Survey;

Whereas the United States Geological Survey has become the Nation's premiere earth and biological science agency;

Whereas during its 125-year history, the United States Geological Survey has been the birthplace of a number of other Federal agencies, including the Reclamation Service (later renamed the Bureau of Reclamation) in 1902, the Forest Service in 1905, the United States Bureau of Mines in 1910, the Grazing Service (later renamed the Bureau of Land Management) in 1934, and the Minerals Management Service in 1982;

Whereas the United States Geological Survey has been a widely respected source of relevant and objective science to address the Nation's diverse natural resource issues;

Whereas the United States Geological Survey continues to serve the Nation as an independent fact-finding agency that collects, monitors, analyzes, and provides scientific information and understanding about natural resource conditions, issues, and problems;

Whereas a hallmark value of the United States Geological Survey to the Nation is its ability to carry out studies on a national scale and to sustain long-term monitoring and assessment of natural hazards and natural resource conditions;

Whereas the United States Geological Survey is an agency of the Federal Government with no regulatory or land management responsibilities and is thus a trusted entity to provide impartial science that serves the needs of the Nation; and

Whereas the United States Geological Survey has a scientific presence in every State and Territory of the United States and serves the Nation's extensive and diverse needs for objective scientific knowledge and understanding: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved,* That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates the United States Geological Survey on its 125th anniversary; and

(2) expresses strong support for the United States Geological Survey as it serves the Nation by providing timely, relevant, and objective scientific information which helps to describe and understand the Earth, minimize the loss of life and property from natural disasters, manage water, biological, energy, and mineral resources, and enhance and protect the quality of life of all Americans.

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