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H. RES. 1013

Recognizing and celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Frederick
Law Olmsted.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 29, 2022

Mr. HILL (for himself and Mrs. DINGELL) submitted the following resolution;
which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

RESOLUTION

Recognizing and celebrating the 200th anniversary of the
birth of Frederick Law Olmsted.

Whereas April 26, 2022, marks the 200th anniversary of the
birth of Frederick Law Olmsted;

Whereas Olmsted was an author, journalist, public official,
city planner, landscape architect, and innovator who
shaped the American landscape;

Whereas Olmsted influenced and designed beautiful and func-
tional landscapes, including Central Park in New York
City and other major urban parks and park systems, the
United States Capitol Grounds, several State capitals, es-
tates, college campuses, and recreation areas;

Whereas Olmsted is remembered as the premier landscape ar-
chitect in the United States during the 19th century and

is considered to be the founder of landscape architecture in the United States;

Whereas Olmsted was one of the first individuals to promote the idea of national parks in his 1865 Yosemite Report;

Whereas Olmsted believed that thoughtful landscape designs promote community, advance democracy, provide recreational opportunities in urban environments, nurture and invigorate public health, and encourage the development of livable communities;

Whereas Olmsted's sons, associates, and successor firms carried out his philosophy and designs well into the 20th century, including establishing the American Society of Landscape Architects, leaving a tremendous legacy of historic landscapes that continues to benefit the people of the United States and visitors throughout the world;

Whereas Olmsted inspired the development of large parks and park systems for public benefit in urban areas, creating a legacy of parks that are a singular feature of the urban experience; and

Whereas Olmsted's landscape designs play a vital role in the enrichment of States across the country and contribute to the quality of life in hundreds of communities across the country: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
- 2 nizes and celebrates the 200th anniversary of the birth
- 3 of Frederick Law Olmsted.

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