

Use of the Capitol Rotunda, Capitol Grounds, and Emancipation Hall: Concurrent Resolutions, 101st to 113th Congress

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Summary

The Capitol Rotunda and the Capitol Grounds have been used as the setting for a variety of events, ranging from memorial ceremonies and the reception of foreign dignitaries to the presentation of awards and the hosting of public competitions. This report identifies and categorizes uses of the Capitol Rotunda and Capitol Grounds authorized by concurrent resolutions since the 101st Congress.

In most cases, use of the Capitol Rotunda requires a concurrent resolution agreed to by both the House and Senate. A concurrent resolution for the use of the Rotunda typically identifies the event and date for which use is authorized. Often, the resolution also directs physical preparations to be carried out under the supervision of the Architect of the Capitol.

Ninety concurrent resolutions were agreed to by the House and the Senate authorizing the use of the Rotunda between the 101st and the 113th Congresses. These resolutions can be divided into seven categories: (1) commemoration ceremonies; (2) Congressional Gold Medal ceremonies; (3) artwork unveilings; (4) presidential inauguration activities; (5) receptions or ceremonies honoring living people; (6) persons lying in state or honor; and (7) prayer vigils.

Use of the Capitol Grounds can be authorized either by the passage of a concurrent resolution or through an application process with the Capitol Police. A concurrent resolution is typically needed for events longer than 24 hours in duration, for events that require vehicles on the Capitol Grounds for setup, for events requiring electronics on the Lower West Terrace of the Capitol, and for events where a large number of Members will be in attendance. The Capitol Police's special events office handles permits and approval for all other events.

Ninety-seven concurrent resolutions were agreed to by the House and the Senate authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds between the 101st and the 113th Congresses. These resolutions can be divided into four categories: (1) events sponsored by nonfederal government groups; (2) memorial services; (3) events sponsored by the federal government; and (4) award and dedication ceremonies.

Upon the completion and opening of the Capitol Visitor Center (CVC) during the 110th Congress, Emancipation Hall of the CVC became available for use in the same manner as the Rotunda and Capitol Grounds. Use of Emancipation Hall requires the passage of a resolution agreed to by both houses of Congress authorizing its use. As of the date of this report, 20 resolutions authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall have been agreed to.

This report will be updated at the end of each session of Congress.

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Introduction

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Use of the Capitol Grounds requires either the passage of a concurrent resolution or permit approval from the Capitol Police. Events that entail the use of the West Front Steps of the Capitol, electricity on the Lower West Terrace of the Capitol, require more than 24 hours from setup to cleanup, require vehicles on Capitol Grounds for setup, or will have a large number of Members in attendance typically require a concurrent resolution. All other events can typically be issued permits by the U.S. Capitol Police. 4

Upon the completion and opening of the Capitol Visitor Center (CVC) during the 110th Congress, Emancipation Hall of the CVC became available for use in the same manner as the Rotunda and Capitol Grounds. Use of Emancipation Hall requires the passage of a resolution agreed to by both houses of Congress authorizing its use.⁵

Concurrent Resolutions for Use of the Rotunda

Methodology

A database search was conducted using the Legislative Information System (LIS) for the 101st through 113th Congresses (1989-2014). The search was conducted by running a query across all

¹ Congressional leaders have authorized the use of the Rotunda without a concurrent resolution for the lying in state of an official when Congress was out of session. For example, use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of President Ford in January 2007 was authorized by the Speaker of the House and the majority leader of the Senate. Telephone conversation between the authors and Becky F. Dougherty, protocol officer of the U.S. Senate, Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, July 24, 2008.

² For example, see H.Con.Res. 377, 110th Congress.

³ Telephone conversation between the authors and Lt. Kathryn Stillman, special events, U.S. Capitol Police, July 16, 2008.

⁴ The U.S. Capitol Police application for conducting an event on the Capitol Grounds can be found on the Capitol Police website http://www.uscapitolpolice.gov/special_events.php. The application, available at http://www.uscapitolpolice.gov/special_events/guidelines_app_page.pdf, must be submitted at least 120 hours, or five days, in advance of the activity.

⁵ §103, Capitol Visitor Center Act of 2008, P.L. 110-437, October 10, 2008.

agreed-to concurrent resolutions using the subject term "rotunda." The results of the search were then examined individually to differentiate resolutions for the use of the Rotunda from references to it in otherwise unrelated legislation.⁶

Results

The search identified a total of 90 concurrent resolutions that were agreed to by the House and Senate. Between the 101st Congress and the 113th Congress, the House and Senate agreed to between one and nine concurrent resolutions per Congress that authorized the use of the Rotunda. **Table 1** reports the total number of resolutions agreed to in each Congress.

Table I. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of the Rotunda, 101st to 113th Congress

Congress	Number	Congress	Number
101 (1989-1991)	7	108 (2003-2005)	7
102 (1991-1993)	4	109 (2005-2007)	8
103 (1993-1995)	1	110 (2007-2009)	9
104 (1995-1997)	6	111 (2009-2011)	9
105 (1997-1999)	8	112 (2011-2013)	9
106 (1999-2001)	8	113 (2013-2015)	6
107 (2001-2003)	8	Total (101st-113th)	90

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 101st-113th Congress.

Appendix A, which lists the results of the database search, provides the following information for each concurrent resolution: the Congress in which the resolution was introduced, the resolution number, and the subject of the resolution.

Concurrent resolutions authorizing the use of the Rotunda can be divided into seven categories: (1) commemoration ceremonies; (2) Congressional Gold Medal ceremonies; (3) artwork unveilings; (4) presidential inauguration activities; (5) receptions or ceremonies honoring living people; (6) persons lying in state or honor; and (7) prayer vigils. The following sections provide a brief explanation of each category and examples of activities. Table 2 contains the number of concurrent resolutions agreed to by Congress since 1989, by category.

Commemoration Ceremonies

The largest percentage of concurrent resolutions agreed to (37%) for the use of the Rotunda during the 101st to 113th Congresses were for ceremonies commemorating historical events. For example, concurrent resolutions authorizing the use of the Rotunda for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust were passed during each Congress. In recent Congresses, resolutions were also agreed to for Rotunda ceremonies to

⁶ Each piece of legislation identified by the search was examined to determine (1) whether the legislation authorized the use of the Rotunda, and (2) the purpose for which the use was authorized.

⁷ For example, see H.Con.Res. 66, 110th Congress.

commemorate the 60th anniversary of the integration of the U.S. Armed Forces, ⁸ the 200th birthday of Constantino Brumidi, ⁹ the 50th anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's inauguration, ¹⁰ and commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. ¹¹

Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies

Ceremonies to award Congressional Gold Medals account for 24% of the concurrent resolutions for the use of the Rotunda agreed to since the 101st Congress. These award ceremonies include presentations of Congressional Gold Medals to Rosa Parks, cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, the Tuskegee Airmen, and other recipients.¹²

Artwork Unveilings

Since the 101st Congress, 17% of concurrent resolutions have been agreed to for the use of the Rotunda for ceremonies to unveil artwork. These have included unveiling ceremonies for portrait busts of former Vice Presidents, ¹³ as well as presentation ceremonies of statues prior to placement in Statuary Hall. ¹⁴

Presidential Inaugural Activities

In preparation for the quadrennial Presidential inauguration activities that take place at the Capitol, concurrent resolutions were passed during the 102^{nd} , 104^{th} , 106^{th} , 108^{th} , 110^{th} , 112^{th} , and 113^{th} Congresses. These resolutions have authorized the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies to use the Rotunda "in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States." Since the 101^{st} Congress, 9% of concurrent resolutions have authorized the use of the Rotunda for inaugural activities.

Receiving or Honoring Living Persons

Since the 101st Congress, 6% of concurrent resolutions have authorized the use of the Rotunda for the purposes of receiving foreign dignitaries or honoring a living person. For example, during the

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⁸ H.Con.Res. 377, 110th Congress.

⁹ H.Con.Res. 202, 109th Congress. Constantino Brumidi was an artist who painted the "apotheosis of Washington" in the dome of the Capitol as well as frescoes and murals in the first floor hallways on the Senate wing of the Capitol Building. For more information on Constantino Brumidi, see U.S. Congress, Architect of the Capitol, *Constantino Brumidi: Artist of the Capitol* (Washington: GPO, 1998).

¹⁰ S.Con.Res. 75, 111th Congress.

¹¹ H.Con.Res. 100, 113th Congress.

¹² For a complete list of Congressional Gold Medals awarded, see CRS Report RL30076, *Congressional Gold Medals*, 1776-2014, by (name redacted).

¹³ For example, S.Con.Res. 63, 108th Congress, authorized the use of the Rotunda for an unveiling ceremony of a portrait bust of former Vice President Quayle.

¹⁴ For example, H.Con.Res. 242, 109th Congress, authorized the use of the Rotunda for a presentation ceremony of a statue of Po'Pay, prior to placement in Statuary Hall.

¹⁵ For example, see S.Con.Res. 68, 110th Congress.

¹⁶ Ibid.

102nd Congress, use of the Rotunda was authorized for a ceremony and reception for the Dalai Lama. ¹⁷ During the 105th Congress, use of the Rotunda was authorized for a ceremony honoring Mother Teresa ¹⁸

Persons Lying in State or Honor

Use of the Rotunda for individuals to lie in state or honor accounted for 6% of Rotunda events authorized by concurrent resolution. These events have included President Reagan, ¹⁹ Senator Claude Pepper, ²⁰ and Senator Daniel K. Inouye lying in state; Rosa Parks lying in honor; ²¹ and the memorial service for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the U.S. Capitol Police. ²²

Prayer Vigils

On two occasions during the 107th Congress (2%), concurrent resolutions were agreed to for the use of the Rotunda for prayer vigils. H.Con.Res. 233 authorized the use of the Rotunda for a prayer vigil in memory of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. S.Con.Res. 83 authorized the use of the Rotunda for a ceremony as part of a National Day of Reconciliation.

Table 2. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of the Rotunda, by Category (101st to 113th Congress)

Category	Number	Percentage of Total
Commemoration Ceremonies	33	37
Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies	22	24
Artwork Unveilings	15	17
Presidential Inaugural Activities	8	9
Receiving or Honoring Living People	5	6
Persons Lying in State or Honor	5	6
Prayer Vigils	2	2
Total	90	100

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 101st-113th Congress.

Note: Table total may not add to 100% because of rounding.

¹⁸ S.Con.Res. 26, 105th Congress.

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¹⁷ H.Con.Res. 115, 102nd Congress.

¹⁹ H.Con.Res. 444, 108th Congress; S.Con.Res. 115, 108th Congress.

²⁰ H.Con.Res. 139, 101st Congress.

²¹ S.Con.Res. 61, 109th Congress.

²² H.Con.Res. 206, 105th Congress.

Concurrent Resolutions for Use of the Capitol Grounds

Methodology

A database search was conducted using the Legislative Information System (LIS) for the 101st through 113th Congresses (1989-2014). The search was conducted by running a query using the subject term "Capitol Grounds." The results of the search were then examined individually to differentiate resolutions for the use of the Capitol Grounds from references to it in otherwise unrelated legislation.²³ The uses of the Capitol Grounds identified here are restricted to those authorized by concurrent resolution of the House and Senate.

Results

The search identified a total 97 concurrent resolutions that were agreed to by the House and Senate. Between the 101st Congress and the 113th Congress, the House and Senate agreed to between 4 and 14 concurrent resolutions per Congress that authorized the use of the Capitol Grounds. **Table 3** reports the total number of resolutions agreed to in each Congress.

Table 3. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of the Capitol Grounds, 101st to 113th Congress

Congress	Number	Congress	Number
101 (1989-1991)	4	108 (2003-2005)	7
102 (1991-1993)	6	109 (2005-2007)	7
103 (1993-1995)	7	110 (2007-2009)	8
104 (1995-1997)	6	111 (2009-2011)	7
105 (1997-1999)	9	112 (2011-2013)	6
106 (1999-2001)	14	113 (2013-2015)	7
107 (2001-2003)	9	Total (101st-113th)	97

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 101st-113th Congress.

Appendix B, which lists the results of the database search, provides the following information for each concurrent resolution: the Congress in which the resolution was introduced, the resolution number, and the subject of the resolution.

Concurrent resolutions authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds can be divided into one of four categories: (1) events sponsored by nonfederal government groups; (2) memorial services; (3) events sponsored by the federal government; and (4) award and dedication ceremonies. The following sections provide a brief explanation of each category with examples of the types of

²³ Each piece of legislation identified by the search was examined to determine (1) whether the legislation authorized the use of the Capitol Grounds, and (2) the purpose for which the use was authorized.

activities concurrent resolutions provided for on the Capitol Grounds. **Table 4** contains the number of concurrent resolutions agreed to by Congress since 1989 by category.

Nonfederal Government Sponsored Events

The largest percentage of concurrent resolutions agreed to (65%) are for events that are sponsored by nonfederal government entities. For example, concurrent resolutions authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby²⁴ and the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Relay²⁵ are typically agreed to each Congress.

Memorial Services

Memorial services held on the Capitol Grounds account for 22% of the concurrent resolutions passed since the 101st Congress. Each year since 1989, the House and Senate have agreed to a concurrent resolution allowing the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service to be conducted on Capitol Grounds.²⁶ The ceremony honors law enforcement officers who gave their lives in the line of duty during the previous year.²⁷

Federal Government Sponsored Events

Events sponsored by the federal government compose 9% of events on the Capitol Grounds authorized by concurrent resolution. These events have included authorizing the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts to hold performances on the East Front of the Capitol, ²⁸ allowing the National Book Festival to run programs on the Capitol Grounds, ²⁹ and authorizing a celebration for the Library of Congress's 200th birthday. ³⁰

Award and Dedication Ceremonies

Award and dedication ceremonies account for 3% of events authorized by concurrent resolution for the Capitol Grounds. Since 1989, three award and dedication ceremonies have been authorized through concurrent resolution. In the 106th Congress (1999-2001), Congress authorized the use of the Capitol Grounds for the dedication of the Japanese-American Memorial to Patriotism; in the 108th Congress (2003-2005), the dedication ceremony for the National World War II Memorial was authorized for the Capitol Grounds; and in the 110th Congress

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²⁴ For example, see H.Con.Res. 311, 110th Congress.

²⁵ For example, see H.Con.Res. 309, 110th Congress.

²⁶ For example, see H.Con.Res. 308, 110th Congress.

²⁷ U.S. Congress, U.S. Capitol Police, "27th Annual National Peace Officers Memorial Service," press release, May 13, 2008, at http://www.uscapitolpolice.gov/pressreleases/2008/pr 05-13-08.php.

²⁸ For example, see H.Con.Res. 76, 107th Congress.

²⁹ For example, see H.Con.Res. 348, 107th Congress.

³⁰ For example, see H.Con.Res. 279, 106th Congress.

³¹ S.Con.Res. 139, 106th Congress.

³² H.Con.Res. 423, 108th Congress.

(2007-2009), the presentation ceremony for the Congressional Gold Medal awarded to Tenzin Gyatso, the Fourteenth Dalai Lama, took place on the Capitol Grounds.³³

Table 4. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of the Capitol Grounds, by Category

(101st to 113th Congress)

Category	Number	Percentage of Total
Nonfederal Government Sponsored Event	64	65
Memorial Services	22	22
Federal Government Sponsored Events	9	9
Award and Dedication Ceremonies	3	3
Total	98 ª	100

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 101st_113th Congress.

Note: Table total may not add to 100% because of rounding.

a. While 97 resolutions were agreed to, a total of 98 uses of the Capitol Grounds were authorized. H.Con.Res. 92, 113th Congress, authorized two separate uses of the Capitol Grounds.

Use of Emancipation Hall of the Capitol Visitor Center

Upon the completion and opening of the Capitol Visitor Center (CVC) during the 110th Congress, Emancipation Hall of the CVC became available for use in the same manner as the Rotunda and Capitol Grounds. Use of Emancipation Hall requires the passage of a resolution agreed to by both houses of Congress authorizing its use.³⁴

The first concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall was agreed to during the 110th Congress. It provided for the use of the Hall in connection with "ceremonies and activities held in connection with the opening of the Capitol Visitor Center to the public." Consistent with previous resolutions authorizing the use of the Rotunda, the concurrent resolution for the use of Emancipation Hall directed that physical preparations be carried out "in accordance with such conditions as the Architect of the Capitol may provide."

Methodology

A database search was conducted using the Legislative Information System (LIS) for the 110th through 113th Congresses (2007-2014). The search was conducted by running a query using the

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³³ H.Con.Res. 196, 110th Congress.

³⁴ P.L. 110-437, §103, 122 Stat. 4986, October 10, 2008; 2 U.S.C. §2203.

³⁵ H.Con.Res. 435, 110th Congress.

³⁶ Ibid.

subject term "Emancipation Hall." The uses of Emancipation Hall identified here are restricted to those authorized by concurrent resolution of the House and Senate.

Results

The search identified a total 20 concurrent resolutions that were agreed to by the House and Senate. Between the 110th Congress and the 113th Congress, the House and Senate agreed to between 1 and 9 concurrent resolutions per Congress that authorized the use of Emancipation Hall. **Table 5** reports the total number of resolutions agreed to in each Congress.

Table 5. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of Emancipation Hall, I 10th to I 13th Congress

Congress	Number	Congress	Number
110 (2007-2009)	I	112 (2011-2013)	6
111 (2009-2011)	4	113 (2013-2015)	9
		Total (110th-113th)	20

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 110th-113th Congress.

Appendix C, which lists the results of the database search, provides the following information for each concurrent resolution: the Congress in which the resolution was introduced, the resolution number, and the subject of the resolution.

Concurrent resolutions authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall can be divided into one of four categories: (1) commemoration ceremonies, (2) congressional gold medal ceremonies, (3) artwork unveilings, and (4) presidential inauguration activities. The following sections provide a brief explanation of each category with examples of the types of activities concurrent resolutions provided for on Emancipation Hall. **Table 6** contains the number of concurrent resolution agreed to by Congress since 2007 by category.

Commemoration Ceremonies

The largest percentage of concurrent resolutions agreed to (45%) are for commemoration ceremonies. For example, concurrent resolutions authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall are agreed to annually to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha.³⁷

Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies

Ceremonies to award Congressional Gold Medals account for 30% of the concurrent resolutions for the use of Emancipation Hall agreed to since the 110th Congress. These award ceremonies include presentations of Congressional Gold Medals to Women Air Force Service Pilots,³⁸ the Mumford Point Marines,³⁹ and Native American Code Talkers.⁴⁰

³⁷ For example, see H.Con.Res. 80, 111th Congress; and H.Con.Res. 105, 112th Congress.

³⁸ H.Con.Res. 239, 111th Congress.

³⁹ H.Con.Res. 128, 112th Congress.

Artwork Unveilings

Since the 110th Congress, 15% of concurrent resolutions have been agreed to for the use of Emancipation Hall for ceremonies to unveil artwork. These have included unveiling ceremonies for a bust of Sojourner Truth, 41 a marker acknowledging the role of slaves in building the Capitol, 42 and a statue of Frederick Douglass. 43

Presidential Inauguration Activities

Since Emancipation Hall opened in the middle of the 110th Congress, Congress has also utilized the space for inaugural activities. Just like the resolutions authorizing the use of the Rotunda for inaugural activities, these resolutions have authorized the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies to use Emancipation Hall "in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States." Since the 110th Congress, 10% of concurrent resolutions have authorized the use of the Rotunda for inaugural activities.

Table 6. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of Emancipation Hall, by Category

(110th to 113th Congress)

Category	Number	Percentage of Total
Commemorative Ceremonies	9	45
Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies	6	30
Artwork Unveilings	3	15
Presidential Inauguration Activities	2	10
Total	20	100

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 110th-113th Congress.

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⁴⁰ S.Con.Res. 25, 113th Congress.

⁴¹ H.Con.Res. 86, 111th Congress.

⁴² H.Con.Res. 99, 112th Congress.

⁴³ S.Con.Res. 16, 113th Congress.

⁴⁴ S.Con.Res. 2, 113th Congress.

Appendix A. Concurrent Resolutions for the Use of the Capitol Rotunda

Table A-I. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for the Use of the Capitol Rotunda, 101st to 113th Congress

Congress	Resolution	Subject		
Commemoration Ceremonies				
101st (1989-1991)	S.Con.Res. 133	Ceremony celebrating American military heroism		
	H.Con.Res. 50	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
102 nd (1991-1993)	H.Con.Res. 45	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
103 rd (1993-1995)	H.Con.Res. 41	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
104 th (1995-1997)	S.Con.Res. 29	Ceremony celebrating the 3000th Anniversary of Jerusalem		
	H.Con.Res. 106	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
	H.Con.Res. 20	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
105 th (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 206	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
	H.Con.Res. 11	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
106 th (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 244	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
	H.Con.Res. 81	Ceremony in honor of the 50 th anniversary of NATO		
	H.Con.Res. 19	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
107 th (2001-2003)	H.Con.Res. 325	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
	H.Con.Res. 14	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
108th (2003-2005)	H.Con.Res. 359	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
	H.Con.Res. 40	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
109th (2005-2007)	H.Con.Res. 427	Ceremony for the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Department of Veterans Affairs		
	H.Con.Res. 350	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		
	H.Con.Res. 202	Ceremony to honor Constantino Brumidi on the 200th anniversary of his birth		
	H.Con.Res. 63	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust		

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110 th (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 377	Ceremony commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the integration of the Armed Forces
	H.Con.Res. 313	Ceremony to honor Iraq War troops and those serving in Afghanistan and throughout the world
	H.Con.Res. 306	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 66	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
III th (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 27	Ceremony in honor of the bicentennial of the birth of President Abraham Lincoln
	H.Con.Res. 54	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 236	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	S.Con.Res. 75	Ceremony marking the 50th anniversary of the inaugural address of President John F. Kennedy
112 th (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 2	Ceremony marking the 50th anniversary of the inaugural address of President John F. Kennedy
	H.Con.Res. 33	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 108	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
113 th (2013-2015)	H.Con.Res. 14	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 100	Ceremony to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
		Persons Lying in State or Honor
101st (1989-1991)	H.Con.Res. 139	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Claude Pepper
105 th (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 310	Authorizing a memorial service for John Gibson and Jacob Chestnut of the Capitol Police
108th (2001-2003)	S.Con.Res. 115	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Ronald Reagan
109 th (2005-2007)	S.Con.Res. 61	Authorizing the remains of Rosa Parks to lie in honor in the Rotunda
112 th (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 64	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of the Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
		Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies
104 th (1995-1997)	S.Con.Res. 45	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Reverend and Mrs. Billy Graham
105 th (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 326	Presenting the Congressional Gold Medal to Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela
106 th (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 127	Presenting a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Rosa Parks
	H.Con.Res. 196	Presenting the Congressional Gold Medal to Mrs. Gerald R. Ford

Congress	Resolution	Subject
	H.Con.Res. 344	Presenting the Congressional Gold Medal to Father Theodore Hesburgh
107th (2001-2003)	H.Con.Res. 149	Awarding a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Charles M. Schulz
	H.Con.Res. 174	Awarding Congressional Gold Medals to the original 29 Navajo Code Talkers
	H.Con.Res. 305	Awarding a gold medal on behalf of Congress to former President Reagan and his wife
	H.Con.Res. 469	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to General Henry H. Shelton
108th (2003-2005)	H.Con.Res. 357	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Dr. Dorothy Height
109th (2005-2007)	H.Con.Res. 79	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Jackie Robinson
110 th (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 164	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug
	H.Con.Res. 196	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Tenzin Gyatso, the Fourteenth Dali Lama
	S.Con.Res. 15	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the Tuskegee Airmen
	S.Con.Res. 71	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Michael Ellis DeBakey, M.D.
111th (2009-2011)	S.Con.Res. 43	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to former Senator Edward Brooke
112 th (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 29	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Neil Armstrong, Edwin E. "Buzz" Aldrin, Jr., Michael Collins, and John Glenn
	H.Con.Res. 133	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Arnold Palmer
	H.Con.Res. 135	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi
113 th (2013-2015)	H.Con.Res. 20	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Professor Muhamad Yunus
	S.Con.Res. 36	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg
	S.Con.Res. 37	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Shimon Peres
		Presidential Inaugural Activities
102 nd (1991-1993)	S.Con.Res. 103	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 1992
104 th (1995-1997)	S.Con.Res. 48	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 1996
106 th (1999-2001)	S.Con.Res. 90	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2000
108th (2003-2005)	S.Con.Res. 93	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2004
110 th (2007-2009)	S.Con.Res. 68	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2008

Congress	Resolution	Subject
111 th (2009-2011)	S.Con.Res. 2	Reauthorization of use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2008
112 th (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 36	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2012
113 th (2013-2015)	S.Con.Res. 2	Reauthorization of use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2012
		Artwork Unveiling
101st (1989-1991)	S.Con.Res. 5	Ceremony to inaugurate the display of the POW/MIA flag
	H.Con.Res. 251	Dedication ceremony incidental to the placement of bust of Lajos Kossuth in the Capitol
	H.Con.Res. 226	Presentation ceremony of statue of Philo T. Farnsworth prior to placement in Statuary Hall
102 nd (1991-1993)	S.Con.Res. 49	Unveiling ceremony of portrait bust of President George H.W. Bush
104 th (1995-1997)	H.Con.Res. 94	Dedication ceremony incidental to the placement of bust of Raoul Wallenberg in the Capitol
105 th (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 25	Presentation ceremony of statue of Jack Swigert prior to placement in Statuary Hall
106 th (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 333	Presentation ceremony of statue of Chief Washakie prior to placement in Statuary Hall
108 th (2003-2005)	H.Con.Res. 236	Unveiling ceremony of statue of Sarah Sakakawea prior to placement in Statuary Hall
	S.Con.Res. 63	Unveiling ceremony of portrait bust of Vice President Dan Quayle
109 th (2005-2009)	H.Con.Res. 5	Presentation ceremony of statue of Sarah Winnemucca prior to placement in Statuary Hall
	H.Con.Res. 242	Presentation ceremony of statue of Po'Pay prior to placement in Statuary Hall
111th (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 101	Presentation ceremony of statue of Ronald Reagan prior to placement in Statuary Hall
	S.Con.Res. 41	Presentation ceremony of statue of Helen Keller prior to placement in Statuary Hall
	S.Con.Res. 42	Presentation ceremony of statue of Helen Keller prior to placement in Statuary Hall
112 th (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 27	Presentation ceremony of statue of Gerald R. Ford prior to placement in Rotunda
		Prayer Vigils
107 th (2001-2003)	H.Con.Res. 233	Prayer Vigil in memory of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001
	S.Con.Res. 83	Ceremony as part of a National Day of Reconciliation

Congress	Resolution	Subject
		Receiving or Honoring Living People
101st (1989-1991)	H.Con.Res. 344	Reception for His All Holiness Patriarch Dimitrios
102 nd (1991-1993)	H.Con.Res. 115	Ceremony and Reception for the Dalai Lama
105 th (1997-1999)	S.Con.Res. 56	Ceremony honoring Leslie Townes (Bob) Hope
	S.Con.Res. 26	Ceremony honoring Mother Teresa
	H.Con.Res. 134	Reception for His All Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 101st-113th Congress.

Appendix B. Concurrent Resolutions for the Use of the Capitol Grounds

Table B-I. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for the Use of the Capitol Grounds, 101st to 113th Congress

Congress	Resolution	Subject
		Nonfederal Government Sponsored Events
101st (1989-1991)	H.Con.Res. 71	Torch Relay for 1989 Special Olympics
	H.Con.Res. 286	Torch Relay for 1990 Special Olympics
	S.Con.Res. 98	Public event for Earth Day 1990
102 nd (1991-1993)	H.Con.Res. 138	Program for National Physical Fitness and Sports Month
	H.Con.Res. 331	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1992
	H.Con.Res. 367	Morning Star Foundation and the 1992 Alliance may present "Native Voices: 500 Years After"
	S.Con.Res. 34	Torch Relay for 1991 Special Olympics
	S.Con.Res. 111	Torch Relay for 1992 Special Olympics
103 rd (1993-1995)	H.Con.Res. 81	Torch Relay for 1993 Special Olympics
	H.Con.Res. 82	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1993
	H.Con.Res. 236	Torch Relay for 1994 Special Olympics
	H.Con.Res. 238	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1994
104 th (1995-1997)	H.Con.Res. 34	Commemoration of Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus
	H.Con.Res. 38	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1995
	H.Con.Res. 64	Torch Relay for 1995 Special Olympics
	H.Con.Res. 146	Torch Relay for 1996 Special Olympics
	H.Con.Res. 153	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1996
	H.Con.Res. 166	Washington for Jesus 1996 prayer rally
	H.Con.Res. 172	1996 Summer Olympics Torch Run Relay

Congress	Resolution	Subject
105th (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 49	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1997
	H.Con.Res. 67	Torch Relay for 1997 Special Olympics
	H.Con.Res. 98	SAFE KIDS Buckle Up Car Seat Safety Check
	H.Con.Res. 238	National Race for the Cure Breast Cancer Survivors Event
	H.Con.Res. 255	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1998
	H.Con.Res. 262	District of Columbia 1998 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
106 th (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 47	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 1999
	H.Con.Res. 49	Earth Force Youth Bike Summit Bike Rodeo
	H.Con.Res. 50	District of Columbia 1999 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 105	Law Enforcement Torch Run for the 1999 Special Olympics World Games
	H.Con.Res. 277	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2000
	H.Con.Res. 280	District of Columbia 2000 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 314	Earth Force Youth Bike Summit Bike Rodeo
	H.Con.Res. 423	Million Family March
107 th (2001-2003)	H.Con.Res. 79	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2001
	H.Con.Res. 87	District of Columbia 2001 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 356	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2002
108th (2001-2003)	H.Con.Res. 53	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2003
	H.Con.Res. 128	District of Columbia 2003 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 376	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2004
	H.Con.Res. 389	District of Columbia 2004 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
109 th (2005-2007)	H.Con.Res. 86	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2005
	H.Con.Res. 135	District of Columbia 2005 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 161	Tenth Anniversary of the Million Man March

Congress	Resolution	Subject
	H.Con.Res. 349	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2006
	H.Con.Res. 359	District of Columbia 2006 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
110 th (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 79	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2007
	H.Con.Res. 123	District of Columbia 2007 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 309	District of Columbia 2008 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 311	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2008
	H.Con.Res. 335	Celebration of the 100 th Anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
111th (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 37	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2009
	H.Con.Res. 39	District of Columbia 2009 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 247	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2010
	H.Con.Res. 263	District of Columbia 2010 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
112 th (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 16	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2011
	H.Con.Res. 67	District of Columbia 2011 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 106	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2012
	H.Con.Res. 118	District of Columbia 2012 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
113th (2013-2015)	H.Con.Res. 19	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2013
	H.Con.Res. 32	National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition
	H.Con.Res. 44	District of Columbia 2013 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 88	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2014
	H.Con.Res. 92	National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition
	H.Con.Res. 103	District of Columbia 2014 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
		Federal Government Sponsored Events
101st (1989-1991)	H.Con.Res. 198	Authorizing a concert performance on Capitol Grounds
103 rd (1993-1995)	H.Con.Res. 146	Commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the laying of the Capitol cornerstone

Congress	Resolution	Subject
105 th (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 265	John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts performances on East Front of Capitol
106 th (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 52	John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts performances on East Front of Capitol
	H.Con.Res. 279	Library of Congress 200th Birthday Celebration
	H.Con.Res. 281	John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts performances on East Front of Capitol
107 th (2001-2003)	H.Con.Res. 76	John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts performances on East Front of Capitol
	S.Con.Res. 41	National Book Festival 2001
	H.Con.Res. 348	National Book Festival 2002
		Memorial Services
103 rd (1993-1995)	H.Con.Res. 71	Twelfth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 237	Thirteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
104 th (1995-1997)	H.Con.Res. 147	Fifteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
105 th (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 66	Sixteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 263	Seventeenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
106 th (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 44	Eighteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 278	Nineteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
107th (2001-2003)	H.Con.Res. 74	Twentieth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 347	Twenty-First Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
108th (2003-2005)	H.Con.Res. 96	Twenty-Second Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 388	Twenty-Third Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
109th (2005-2007)	H.Con.Res. 136	Twenty-Forth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 360	Twenty-Fifth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
110 th (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 124	Twenty-Sixth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 308	Twenty-Seventh Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
111th (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 38	Twenty-Eighth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service

Congress	Resolution	Subject
	H.Con.Res. 171	National Weekend of Remembrance Service to honor military personnel who died in service to the United States
	H.Con.Res. 264	Twenty-Ninth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
112 th (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 46	Thirtieth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 117	Thirty-First Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
113 th (2013-2015)	H.Con.Res. 18	Thirty-Second Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 92	Thirty-Third Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
		Award and Commemorative Ceremonies
106th (1999-2001)	S.Con.Res. 139	Dedication of the Japanese-American Memorial to Patriotism
108th (2003-2005)	H.Con.Res. 423	Dedication of the National World War II Memorial
110 th (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 196	Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony for Tenzin Gyatso, the Fourteenth Dalai Lama

Source: Database query of Congressional Legislative Information System (LIS), 101st_113th Congress.

Appendix C. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for the Use of Emancipation Hall

Table C-I. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for the Use of Emancipation Hall, I 10th to I 13th Congress

Congress	Resolution	Subject
		Commemoration Ceremonies
110th (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 435	Ceremonies and activities in connection with the opening of the Capitol Visitor Center
111th (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 80	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha
	H.Con.Res. 243	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha
112th (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 105	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha
	S.Con.Res. 16	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha
113 th (2013-2015)	H.Con.Res. 43	Ceremony honoring the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela on his 95th birthday
	H.Con.Res. 83	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha
	H.Con.Res. 90	Ceremony for commemoration of the day of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	S.Con.Res. 10	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha
		Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies
111th (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 239	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the Women Air Force Service Pilots
112th (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 128	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the Mumford Point Marines
	S.Con.Res. 28	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal collectively to the 100th Infantry Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team, and the Military Intelligence Service, U.S. Army in recognition of their service during World War II
113 th (2013-2015)	H.Con.Res. 106	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal in honor of the men and women who perished as a result of the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001
	H.Con.Res. 120	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol
	S.Con.Res. 25	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Native American code talkers

Congress	Resolution	Subject
		Art Work Unveilings
111th (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 86	Unveiling a bust of Sojourner Truth
112 th (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 99	Unveiling a marker to acknowledge the role that slave labor played in the construction of the United States Capitol
113 th (2013-2015)	S.Con.Res. 16	Unveiling a statue of Frederick Douglass
		Presidential Inauguration Activities
112 th (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 36	Use of Emancipation Hall by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2013
113 th (2013-2015)	S.Con.Res. 2	Reauthorization for the use of Emancipation Hall by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2013

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