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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.

One hundred fourteen concurrent resolutions were agreed to by the House and the Senate authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds between the 101<sup>st</sup> and the 116<sup>th</sup> 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 110<sup>th</sup> 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. These resolutions can be divided into four categories: (1) commemoration ceremonies, (2) congressional gold medal ceremonies, (3) artwork unveilings, and (4) presidential inauguration activities. As of the date of this report, 43 concurrent 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

Both 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 101<sup>st</sup> Congress.

In most cases, use of the Capitol Rotunda requires a concurrent resolution agreed to by both the House and Senate.<sup>1</sup> 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 “in accordance with such conditions as the Architect of the Capitol may provide.”<sup>2</sup>

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.<sup>3</sup> All other events can typically be issued permits by the U.S. Capitol Police.<sup>4</sup>

Upon the completion and opening of the Capitol Visitor Center (CVC) during the 110<sup>th</sup> 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.<sup>5</sup>

Additionally, Congress has provided an ongoing authorization for holiday concerts on Capitol Grounds.<sup>6</sup> Held on Memorial Day, the Fourth of July, and Labor Day, these concerts feature the National Symphony Orchestra, are free, and are open to the public.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 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 author 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.

<sup>2</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 377 (110<sup>th</sup> Congress), agreed to June 27, 2008.

<sup>3</sup> Telephone conversation between the author and Lt. Kathryn Stillman, special events, U.S. Capitol Police, July 16, 2008.

<sup>4</sup> The U.S. Capitol Police application for conducting can be found on the Capitol Police website at <https://www.uscp.gov/visiting-capitol-hill/activities-requiring-permits>. The application, available at [https://www.uscp.gov/sites/uscapitolpolice.house.gov/files/wysiwyg\\_uploaded/Application%20for%20Conducting%20an%20Event%20on%20U.S.%20Capitol%20Grounds\\_December%202019.pdf](https://www.uscp.gov/sites/uscapitolpolice.house.gov/files/wysiwyg_uploaded/Application%20for%20Conducting%20an%20Event%20on%20U.S.%20Capitol%20Grounds_December%202019.pdf), must be submitted at least 120 hours, or five days, in advance of the activity.

<sup>5</sup> P.L. 110-437, §103, 122 Stat. 4986, October 10, 2008; 2 U.S.C. §2203.

<sup>6</sup> H.Con.Res. 133 (97<sup>th</sup> Congress), 95 Stat. 1760, May 21, 1981.

<sup>7</sup> U.S. Congress, Architect of the Capitol, “Concerts at the U.S. Capitol,” at <https://www.aoc.gov/nations-stage/concerts>.

# Concurrent Resolutions for Use of the Rotunda

## Methodology

A database search was conducted using Congress.gov for the 101<sup>st</sup> through the 116<sup>th</sup> Congresses (1989-2020). The search was conducted by running a query across all 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.<sup>8</sup>

## Results

The search identified a total of 100 concurrent resolutions that were agreed to by the House and Senate. Between the 101<sup>st</sup> Congress and the 116<sup>th</sup> 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 1. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of the Rotunda**  
101<sup>st</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

Congress	Number	Congress	Number
101 (1989-1991)	7	109 (2005-2007)	8
102 (1991-1993)	4	110 (2007-2009)	9
103 (1993-1995)	1	111 (2009-2011)	9
104 (1995-1997)	6	112 (2011-2013)	9
105 (1997-1999)	8	113 (2013-2015)	6
106 (1999-2001)	8	114 (2015-2017)	3
107 (2001-2003)	8	115 (2017-2019)	6
108 (2003-2005)	7	116 (2019-2021)	1
		<b>Total (101<sup>st</sup>-116<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>100</b>

**Source:** Database query of Congress.gov, 101<sup>st</sup>-116<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

**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.

<sup>8</sup> 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.

## **Commemoration Ceremonies**

The largest percentage of concurrent resolutions (34.0%) authorized the use of the Rotunda for a commemoration ceremony, often of an historical event. 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.<sup>9</sup> In recent Congresses, resolutions were also agreed to for Rotunda ceremonies to commemorate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the integration of the U.S. Armed Forces,<sup>10</sup> the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of Constantino Brumidi,<sup>11</sup> the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's inauguration,<sup>12</sup> and the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.<sup>13</sup>

## **Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies**

Ceremonies to award Congressional Gold Medals account for 24.0% of the concurrent resolutions for the use of the Rotunda agreed to since the 101<sup>st</sup> Congress. These award ceremonies include presentations of Congressional Gold Medals to Rosa Parks, cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, the Tuskegee Airmen, and other recipients.<sup>14</sup>

## **Artwork Unveilings**

Since the 101<sup>st</sup> Congress, 15.0% 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,<sup>15</sup> as well as presentation ceremonies of statues prior to placement in Statuary Hall.<sup>16</sup>

## **Presidential Inaugural Activities**

In preparation for the quadrennial Presidential inauguration activities that take place at the Capitol, concurrent resolutions were passed during the 102<sup>nd</sup>, 104<sup>th</sup>, 106<sup>th</sup>, 108<sup>th</sup>, 110<sup>th</sup>, 112<sup>th</sup>, 113<sup>th</sup>, and 115<sup>th</sup> Congresses.<sup>17</sup> 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

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<sup>9</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 66, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>10</sup> H.Con.Res. 377, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>11</sup> H.Con.Res. 202, 109<sup>th</sup> 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).

<sup>12</sup> S.Con.Res. 75, 111<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>13</sup> H.Con.Res. 100, 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>14</sup> For a list of Congressional Gold Medals awarded, see CRS Report R45101, *Congressional Gold Medals: Background, Legislative Process, and Issues for Congress*, by Jacob R. Straus.

<sup>15</sup> For example, S.Con.Res. 63, 108<sup>th</sup> Congress, authorized the use of the Rotunda for an unveiling ceremony of a portrait bust of former Vice President Quayle.

<sup>16</sup> For example, H.Con.Res. 242, 109<sup>th</sup> Congress, authorized the use of the Rotunda for a presentation ceremony of a statue of Po'Pay, prior to placement in Statuary Hall.

<sup>17</sup> For example, see S.Con.Res. 68, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

the United States.”<sup>18</sup> Since the 101<sup>st</sup> Congress, 10.0% of concurrent resolutions have authorized the use of the Rotunda for inaugural activities.

### **Receiving or Honoring Living Persons**

Since the 101<sup>st</sup> Congress, 6.0% 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 102<sup>nd</sup> Congress, use of the Rotunda was authorized for a ceremony and reception for the Dalai Lama.<sup>19</sup> During the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress, use of the Rotunda was authorized for a ceremony honoring Mother Teresa.<sup>20</sup> During the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress, the use of the Rotunda was authorized for events surrounding the visit by His Holiness Pope Francis to address a joint session of Congress.<sup>21</sup>

### **Persons Lying in State or Honor**

Use of the Rotunda for individuals to lie in state or honor accounted for 9.0% of Rotunda events authorized by concurrent resolution.<sup>22</sup> These events have included President Ronald Reagan and President George H.W. Bush,<sup>23</sup> Senator Claude Pepper,<sup>24</sup> Senator Daniel K. Inouye,<sup>25</sup> and Senator John McCain lying in state;<sup>26</sup> Rosa Parks and Reverend Billy Graham lying in honor;<sup>27</sup> and the memorial service for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the U.S. Capitol Police.<sup>28</sup> In the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress, one individual—Representative John Lewis—lay in state.<sup>29</sup>

### **Prayer Vigils**

On two occasions during the 107<sup>th</sup> Congress (2.0%), 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.

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<sup>18</sup> For example, see S.Con.Res. 68, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>19</sup> H.Con.Res. 115, 102<sup>nd</sup> Congress.

<sup>20</sup> S.Con.Res. 26, 105<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>21</sup> H.Con.Res. 43, 114<sup>th</sup> Congress. The same resolution also authorized the use of the Capitol Grounds and Emancipation Hall for events. For more information on His Holiness Pope Francis’s visit to the United States Capitol and his address to a joint session of Congress, see CRS In Focus IF10211, *Foreign Leaders Addressing Congress*, by Jacob R. Straus.

<sup>22</sup> For more information on individuals lying in state or honor in the Rotunda, see CRS Insight IN10961, *Senators Lying in State in the U.S. Capitol*, by Jacob R. Straus; CRS Insight IN11472, *Members of the House of Representatives Lying in State in the U.S. Capitol*, by Jacob R. Straus; and CRS Insight IN11510, *Lying in State or Honor in the U.S. Capitol by Non-Members of Congress*, by Jacob R. Straus.

<sup>23</sup> President Reagan: H.Con.Res. 444, 108<sup>th</sup> Congress; S.Con.Res. 115, 108<sup>th</sup> Congress; President Bush: S.Con.Res. 55, 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>24</sup> H.Con.Res. 139, 101<sup>st</sup> Congress.

<sup>25</sup> S.Con.Res. 64, 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>26</sup> S.Con.Res. 44, 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>27</sup> Rosa Parks: S.Con.Res. 61, 109<sup>th</sup> Congress; Reverend Billy Graham: H.Con.Res. 107, 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>28</sup> H.Con.Res. 206, 105<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>29</sup> H.Con.Res. 105, 116<sup>th</sup> Congress.



**Table 2. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of the Rotunda, by Category**  
101<sup>st</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

Category	Number	Percentage of Total
Commemoration Ceremonies	34	34.0
Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies	24	24.0
Artwork Unveilings	15	15.0
Presidential Inaugural Activities	10	10.0
Receiving or Honoring Living People	6	6.0
Persons Lying in State or Honor	9	9.0
Prayer Vigils	2	2.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

**Source:** Database query of Congress.gov, 101<sup>st</sup>-116<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

## Concurrent Resolutions for Use of the Capitol Grounds

### Methodology

A database search was conducted using Congress.gov for the 101<sup>st</sup> to the 116<sup>th</sup> Congresses (1989-2020). 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.<sup>30</sup> 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 114 concurrent resolutions that were agreed to by the House and Senate. Between the 101<sup>st</sup> Congress and the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress, the House and Senate agreed to between 2 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.

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<sup>30</sup> 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.

**Table 3. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of the Capitol Grounds**101<sup>st</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

Congress	Number	Congress	Number
101 (1989-1991)	4	109 (2005-2007)	7
102 (1991-1993)	6	110 (2007-2009)	8
103 (1993-1995)	7	111 (2009-2011)	7
104 (1995-1997)	6	112 (2011-2013)	6
105 (1997-1999)	9	113 (2013-2015)	7
106 (1999-2001)	14	114 (2015-2017)	10
107 (2001-2003)	9	115 (2017-2019)	5
108 (2003-2005)	7	116 (2019-2021)	2
		<b>Total (101<sup>st</sup>-116<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>114</b>

**Source:** Database query of Congress.gov, 101<sup>st</sup>-116<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

**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 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 (65.2%) authorized 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 Derby<sup>31</sup> and the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Relay<sup>32</sup> are typically agreed to each Congress.

### Memorial Services

Memorial services held on the Capitol Grounds account for 23.5% of the concurrent resolutions passed since the 101<sup>st</sup> 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.<sup>33</sup> The ceremony honors law enforcement officers who gave their lives in the line of duty during the previous year.<sup>34</sup>

<sup>31</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 311, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>32</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 309, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>33</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 308, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>34</sup> U.S. Congress, Architect of the Capitol, "Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service," May 14, 2019, at <https://www.aoc.gov/about-us/news-notice/annual-national-peace-officers-memorial-service>.

## Federal Government Sponsored Events

Events sponsored by the federal government compose 8.7% 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,<sup>35</sup> allowing the National Book Festival to run programs on the Capitol Grounds,<sup>36</sup> and authorizing a celebration for the Library of Congress's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday.<sup>37</sup>

## Award and Dedication Ceremonies

Award and dedication ceremonies account for 2.6% 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 106<sup>th</sup> Congress (1999-2001), Congress authorized the use of the Capitol Grounds for the dedication of the Japanese-American Memorial to Patriotism;<sup>38</sup> in the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress (2003-2005), the dedication ceremony for the National World War II Memorial was authorized for the Capitol Grounds;<sup>39</sup> and in the 110<sup>th</sup> 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.<sup>40</sup>

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

101<sup>st</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

Category	Number	Percentage of Total
Nonfederal-Government-Sponsored Event	75	65.2
Memorial Services	27	23.5
Federal Government Sponsored Events	10	8.7
Award and Dedication Ceremonies	3	2.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>115<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>100</b>

**Source:** Database query of Congress.gov, 101<sup>st</sup>-116<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

**Note:**

- a. While 114 resolutions were agreed to, a total of 115 uses of the Capitol Grounds were authorized. H.Con.Res. 92, 113<sup>th</sup> 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 110<sup>th</sup> Congress, Emancipation Hall of the CVC became available for use in the same manner as the Rotunda and

<sup>35</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 76, 107<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>36</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 348, 107<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>37</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 279, 106<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>38</sup> S.Con.Res. 139, 106<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>39</sup> H.Con.Res. 423, 108<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>40</sup> H.Con.Res. 196, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Capitol Grounds. Use of Emancipation Hall requires the passage of a resolution agreed to by both houses of Congress authorizing its use.<sup>41</sup>

The first concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall was agreed to during the 110<sup>th</sup> 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.”<sup>42</sup> 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.”<sup>43</sup>

## Methodology

A database search was conducted using Congress.gov for the 110<sup>th</sup> through the 116<sup>th</sup> Congresses (2007-2020). The search was conducted by running a query using the 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 49 concurrent resolutions that were agreed to by the House and Senate. Between the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress and the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress, the House and Senate agreed to between 1 and 15 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**

110 <sup>th</sup> Congress to 116 <sup>th</sup> Congress			
Congress	Number	Congress	Number
110 (2007-2009)	1	114 (2015-2017)	15
111 (2009-2011)	4	115 (2017-2019)	8
112 (2011-2013)	6	116 (2019-2021)	6
113 (2013-2015)	9	<b>Total (110<sup>th</sup>-116<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>49</b>

**Source:** Database query of Congress.gov, 110<sup>th</sup>-116<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

**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.

<sup>41</sup> P.L. 110-437, §103, 122 Stat. 4986, October 10, 2008; 2 U.S.C. §2203.

<sup>42</sup> H.Con.Res. 435, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>43</sup> H.Con.Res. 435, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

## **Commemoration Ceremonies**

The largest percentage of concurrent resolutions agreed to (51.0%) authorized the use of Emancipation Hall for commemoration ceremonies. For example, concurrent resolutions authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall are agreed to annually to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha.<sup>44</sup>

## **Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies**

Ceremonies to award Congressional Gold Medals account for 30.6% of the concurrent resolutions for the use of Emancipation Hall agreed to since the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress. These award ceremonies include presentations of Congressional Gold Medals to Women Air Force Service Pilots,<sup>45</sup> the Montford Point Marines,<sup>46</sup> and Native American Code Talkers.<sup>47</sup>

## **Artwork Unveilings**

Since the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress, 10.2% 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,<sup>48</sup> a marker acknowledging the role of slaves in building the Capitol,<sup>49</sup> a statue of Frederick Douglass,<sup>50</sup> and the American Prisoners of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) Chair of Honor.<sup>51</sup>

## **Presidential Inauguration Activities**

Since Emancipation Hall opened in the middle of the 110<sup>th</sup> 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.”<sup>52</sup> Since the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress, 8.2% of concurrent resolutions have authorized the use of Emancipation Hall for inaugural activities.

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<sup>44</sup> For example, see H.Con.Res. 80, 111<sup>th</sup> Congress; and H.Con.Res. 105, 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>45</sup> H.Con.Res. 239, 111<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>46</sup> H.Con.Res. 128, 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>47</sup> S.Con.Res. 25, 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>48</sup> H.Con.Res. 86, 111<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>49</sup> H.Con.Res. 99, 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>50</sup> S.Con.Res. 16, 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>51</sup> S.Con.Res. 26, 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>52</sup> S.Con.Res. 2, 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

**Table 6. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for Use of Emancipation Hall,  
by Category**  
110<sup>th</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage of Total</b>
Commemorative Ceremonies	25	51.0
Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies	15	30.6
Artwork Unveilings	5	10.2
Presidential Inauguration Activities	4	8.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>100</b>

**Source:** Database query of Congress.gov, 110<sup>th</sup>-116<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

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

**Table A-1. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for the Use of the Capitol Rotunda**  
101<sup>st</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

Congress	Resolution	Subject
<b>Commemoration Ceremonies</b>		
101 <sup>st</sup> (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 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1993)	H.Con.Res. 45	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1995)	H.Con.Res. 41	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1997)	S.Con.Res. 29	Ceremony celebrating the 3000 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of NATO
	H.Con.Res. 19	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
107 <sup>th</sup> (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
108 <sup>th</sup> (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
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2007)	H.Con.Res. 427	Ceremony for the 75 <sup>th</sup> 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 200 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of his birth
	H.Con.Res. 63	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust

<b>Congress</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 377	Ceremony commemorating the 60 <sup>th</sup> 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
111 <sup>th</sup> (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 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the inaugural address of President John F. Kennedy
112 <sup>th</sup> (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 2	Ceremony marking the 50 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> (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 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	H.Con.Res. 18	Ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
<b>Persons Lying in State or Honor</b>		
101 <sup>st</sup> (1989-1991)	H.Con.Res. 139	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of the Honorable Claude Pepper
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 310	Authorizing a memorial service for John Gibson and Jacob Chestnut of the Capitol Police
108 <sup>th</sup> (2001-2003)	S.Con.Res. 115	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Ronald Reagan
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2007)	S.Con.Res. 61	Authorizing the remains of Rosa Parks to lie in honor in the Rotunda
112 <sup>th</sup> (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
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	H.Con.Res. 107	Authorizing Reverend Billy Graham to lie in honor in the Rotunda
	S.Con.Res. 44	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of the Honorable John Sidney McCain, III
	S.Con.Res. 55	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of George Herbert Walker Bush
116 <sup>th</sup> (2019-2021)	H.Con.Res. 105	Authorizing the use of the Rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of John Lewis



Congress	Resolution	Subject
<b>Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies</b>		
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1997)	S.Con.Res. 45	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Reverend and Mrs. Billy Graham
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 326	Presenting the Congressional Gold Medal to Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela
106 <sup>th</sup> (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
	H.Con.Res. 344	Presenting the Congressional Gold Medal to Father Theodore Hesburgh
107 <sup>th</sup> (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
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2005)	H.Con.Res. 357	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Dr. Dorothy Height
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2007)	H.Con.Res. 79	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Jackie Robinson
110 <sup>th</sup> (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 Dalai 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.
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2011)	S.Con.Res. 43	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to former Senator Edward Brooke
112 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (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
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	H.Con.Res. 12	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Jack Nicklaus
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	S.Con.Res. 31	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to Bob Dole
<b>Presidential Inaugural Activities</b>		
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1993)	S.Con.Res. 103	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 1993
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1997)	S.Con.Res. 48	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 1997
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2001)	S.Con.Res. 90	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2001

<b>Congress</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2005)	S.Con.Res. 93	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2005
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2009)	S.Con.Res. 68	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2009
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2011)	S.Con.Res. 2	Reauthorization of use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2009
112 <sup>th</sup> (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 36	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2013
113 <sup>th</sup> (2013-2015)	S.Con.Res. 2	Reauthorization of use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2013
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	S.Con.Res. 29	Use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2017
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	S.Con.Res. 1	Reauthorization of the use of Rotunda by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2017
<b>Artwork Unveiling</b>		
101 <sup>st</sup> (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 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1993)	S.Con.Res. 49	Unveiling ceremony of portrait bust of President George H.W. Bush
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1997)	H.Con.Res. 94	Dedication ceremony incidental to the placement of bust of Raoul Wallenberg in the Capitol
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 25	Presentation ceremony of statue of Jack Swigert prior to placement in Statuary Hall
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 333	Presentation ceremony of statue of Chief Washakie prior to placement in Statuary Hall
108 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (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
111 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 27	Presentation ceremony of statue of Gerald R. Ford prior to placement in Rotunda

<b>Congress</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>
<b>Prayer Vigils</b>		
107 <sup>th</sup> (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
<b>Receiving or Honoring Living People</b>		
101 <sup>st</sup> (1989-1991)	H.Con.Res. 344	Reception for His All Holiness Patriarch Dimitrios
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1993)	H.Con.Res. 115	Ceremony and Reception for the Dalai Lama
105 <sup>th</sup> (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
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	H.Con.Res. 43	Events for the Visit of His Holiness Pope Francis

**Source:** Database query of Congress.gov, 101<sup>st</sup>-116<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

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

**Table B-1. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for the Use of the Capitol Grounds**  
101<sup>st</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

Congress	Resolution	Subject
<b>Nonfederal-Government-Sponsored Events</b>		
101 <sup>st</sup> (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 <sup>nd</sup> (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 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1995)	H.Con.Res. 81
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 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1997)		H.Con.Res. 34
	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
	105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 49
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 <sup>th</sup> (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

<b>Congress</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>
	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 <sup>th</sup> (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
108 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (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
	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 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
111 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (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

<b>Congress</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>
	H.Con.Res. 118	District of Columbia 2012 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
113 <sup>th</sup> (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
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	H.Con.Res. 21	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2015
	H.Con.Res. 70	District of Columbia 2015 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 73	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Fallen Firefighters Congressional Flag Presentation Ceremony
	H.Con.Res. 74	20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Million Man March
	H.Con.Res. 119	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2016
	H.Con.Res. 120	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Fallen Firefighters Congressional Flag Presentation Ceremony
	H.Con.Res. 131	District of Columbia 2016 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	H.Con.Res. 36	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2017
	H.Con.Res. 69	District of Columbia 2017 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run
	H.Con.Res. 113	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2018
116 <sup>th</sup> (2019-2021)	H.Con.Res. 19	Greater Washington Soap Box Derby 2019
<b>Federal Government Sponsored Events</b>		
101 <sup>st</sup> (1989-1991)	H.Con.Res. 198	Authorizing a concert performance on Capitol Grounds
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1995)	H.Con.Res. 146	Commemoration of the 200 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the laying of the Capitol cornerstone
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1999)	H.Con.Res. 265	John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts performances on East Front of Capitol
106 <sup>th</sup> (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 200 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration
	H.Con.Res. 281	John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts performances on East Front of Capitol
107 <sup>th</sup> (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
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	H.Con.Res. 43	Events for Visit of His Holiness Pope Francis

Congress	Resolution	Subject
<b>Memorial Services</b>		
103 <sup>rd</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1997)	H.Con.Res. 147	Fifteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
105 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2001)	H.Con.Res. 44	Eighteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 278	Nineteenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
107 <sup>th</sup> (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
108 <sup>th</sup> (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
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2007)	H.Con.Res. 136	Twenty-Fourth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	H.Con.Res. 360	Twenty-Fifth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
110 <sup>th</sup> (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
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 38	Twenty-Eighth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service
	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 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (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
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	H.Con.Res. 25	National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition
	H.Con.Res. 117	National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	H.Con.Res. 35	National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition
	H.Con.Res. 115	National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition
116 <sup>th</sup> (2019-2021)	H.Con.Res. 16	National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition
<b>Award and Commemorative Ceremonies</b>		
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2001)	S.Con.Res. 139	Dedication of the Japanese-American Memorial to Patriotism
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2005)	H.Con.Res. 423	Dedication of the National World War II Memorial
110 <sup>th</sup> (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), 101<sup>st</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses.



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

**Table C-1. Concurrent Resolutions Agreed to for the Use of Emancipation Hall**  
101<sup>st</sup> Congress to 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

Congress	Resolution	Subject
<b>Commemoration Ceremonies</b>		
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2009)	H.Con.Res. 435	Ceremonies and activities in connection with the opening of the Capitol Visitor Center
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 80	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
	H.Con.Res. 243	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
112 <sup>th</sup> (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 105	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
	S.Con.Res. 16	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
113 <sup>th</sup> (2013-2015)	H.Con.Res. 43	Ceremony honoring the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela on his 95 <sup>th</sup> birthday
	H.Con.Res. 83	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
	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 I
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	H.Con.Res. 9	Ceremony for commemoration of the day of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 43	Events for Visit of His Holiness Pope Francis
	H.Con.Res. 48	Ceremony to commemorate the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Vietnam War
	H.Con.Res. 93	Ceremony to commemorate the 150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ratification of the 13 <sup>th</sup> Amendment
	H.Con.Res. 111	Ceremony for commemoration of the day of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 115	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
	S.Con.Res. 3	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	S.Con.Res. 14	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
	H.Con.Res. 102	Event celebrating the 200 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of Frederick Douglass's birth
	H.Con.Res. 103	Ceremony commemorating the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 112	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
116 <sup>th</sup> (2019-2021)	H.Con.Res. 31	Ceremony commemorating the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	H.Con.Res. 53	Commemoration of the 400 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the arrival of the first African slaves to the territory that would become the United States (commemoration on September 9, 2019)
	H.Con.Res. 57	Commemoration of the 400 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the arrival of the first African slaves to the territory that would become the United States (commemoration on September 10, 2019)

<b>Congress</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>
	H.Con.Res. 87	Ceremony commemorating the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust
	S.Con.Res. 14	Ceremony celebrating the birthday of King Kamehameha I
<b>Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies</b>		
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 239	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the Women Air Force Service Pilots
112 <sup>th</sup> (2011-2013)	H.Con.Res. 128	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines
	S.Con.Res. 28	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal collectively to the 100 <sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, 442 <sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team, and the Military Intelligence Service, U.S. Army in recognition of their service during World War II
113 <sup>th</sup> (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
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	H.Con.Res. 34	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the American Fighter Aces
	S.Con.Res. 2	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service in World War II
	S.Con.Res. 7	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders
	H.Con.Res. 64	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the Monuments Men
	H.Con.Res. 109	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the foot soldiers who participated in the 1965 Selma to Montgomery marches
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	H.Con.Res. 113	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal collectively to the 65 <sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, known as the "Borinqueneers"
	S.Con.Res. 23	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal collectively to Filipino Veterans of World War II
	H.Con.Res. 106	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal collectively to the members of the Office of Strategic Services
116 <sup>th</sup> (2019-2021)	H.Con.Res. 91	Awarding the Congressional Gold Medal collectively to Chinese-American Veterans of World War II
<b>Art Work Unveilings</b>		
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2011)	H.Con.Res. 86	Unveiling a bust of Sojourner Truth
112 <sup>th</sup> (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 <sup>th</sup> (2013-2015)	S.Con.Res. 16	Unveiling a statue of Frederick Douglass
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	S.Con.Res. 24	Unveiling of the marble bust of Vice President Richard Cheney
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	S.Con.Res. 26	Unveiling of the American Prisoners of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) Chair of Honor
<b>Presidential Inauguration Activities</b>		
112 <sup>th</sup> (2011-2013)	S.Con.Res. 36	Use of Emancipation Hall by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2013

113 <sup>th</sup> (2013-2015)	S.Con.Res. 2	Reauthorization for the use of Emancipation Hall by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2013
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2017)	S.Con.Res. 29	Use of Emancipation Hall by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2017
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2019)	S.Con.Res. 1	Reauthorization for the use of Emancipation Hall by Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for 2017

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