

HCONRES 163

Recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day and expressing the sense of Congress that history be regarded as a means of understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future.

**Congress:** 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Commemorations

**Introduced:** Jun 14, 2001

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jun 20, 2001)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/house-concurrent-resolution/163>

Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Watts, J. C., Jr. [R-OK-4]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** OK • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Jun 14, 2001
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jun 19, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 20, 2001
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 19, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Commemorations

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 SCONRES 51	Identical bill	<b>Jun 19, 2001:</b> Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6456)

Recognizes the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day (celebrated on June 19 for 136 years to honor the memory of all those who endured slavery and especially those who moved from slavery to freedom). Encourages the continued celebration of this day to provide an opportunity for all people of the United States to learn more about the past and to better understand the experiences that have shaped the Nation.

Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) history be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future; and (2) the celebration of the end of slavery is an important and enriching part of the history and heritage of the United States.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 20, 2001:** Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Jun 19, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Civil Service and Agency Organization.
- **Jun 19, 2001:** Mr. Shays moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- **Jun 19, 2001:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3224-3229)
- **Jun 19, 2001:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 163.
- **Jun 19, 2001:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jun 19, 2001:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H3231)
- **Jun 19, 2001:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 415 - 0 (Roll no. 168).(text: CR H3224)
- **Jun 19, 2001:** On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 415 - 0 (Roll no. 168). (text: CR H3224)
- **Jun 19, 2001:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 14, 2001:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 14, 2001:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 14, 2001:** Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.