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HCONRES 287

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the United States Explorer I satellite, the world's first scientific spacecraft, and the birth of the United States space exploration program.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commemorations **Introduced:** Jan 29, 2008

Current Status: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Feb

7, 2008)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Udall, Mark [D-CO-2]

Party: Democratic • State: CO • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Feeney, Tom [R-FL-24]	$R \cdot FL$		Jan 29, 2008
Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	D · TN		Jan 29, 2008
Rep. Hall, Ralph M. [R-TX-4]	$R \cdot TX$		Jan 29, 2008
Rep. Lampson, Nick [D-TX-22]	D · TX		Jan 29, 2008
Rep. Giffords, Gabrielle [D-AZ-8]	$D \cdot AZ$		Feb 6, 2008
Rep. Rohrabacher, Dana [R-CA-46]	R · CA		Feb 6, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 7, 2008
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 29, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commemorations

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Celebrates the achievement of the late Dr. James A. Van Allen and his science team and all of the individuals at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Army Ballistic Missile Agency who, through the successful launch of Explorer I, brought the United States into the space age and science into the realm of space.

Supports science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education programs, which are critical for preparing the next generation to lead future U.S. space endeavors.

Recognizes the role of the U.S. space program in strengthening the scientific and engineering foundation that contributes to U.S. innovation and economic growth.

Looks forward to the next 50 years of U.S. achievements in the robotic and human exploration of space.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 7, 2008: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- Feb 6, 2008: Mr. Melancon moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- Feb 6, 2008: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H573-575)
- Feb 6, 2008: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 287.
- Feb 6, 2008: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H573)
- Feb 6, 2008: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H573)
- Feb 6, 2008: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Jan 29, 2008: Introduced in House
- Jan 29, 2008: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E92)
- Jan 29, 2008: Referred to the House Committee on Science and Technology.