

House Resolution 2034

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and celebrating the 250th anniversary of the United States of America and
2 honoring the nation's enduring legacy of freedom, unity, and civic engagement; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, July 4, 2026, marks the Semiquincentennial of the United States,
5 commemorating 250 years since the adoption of the Declaration of Independence following
6 the passage of the Lee Resolution by the Second Continental Congress in 1776; and

7 WHEREAS, throughout the nation's history, milestone anniversaries have provided
8 opportunities for reflection, unity, and celebration, including the Centennial in 1876, the
9 Sesquicentennial in 1926, and the Bicentennial in 1976, each marked by nationwide
10 observances that brought communities together in recognition of the nation's founding
11 principles; and

12 WHEREAS, the Bicentennial celebration of 1976 remains a defining moment for many
13 Americans, as communities across the country participated in parades, educational programs,
14 and cultural events that deepened public appreciation for the nation's heritage; and

15 WHEREAS, such commemorations have inspired continued efforts to preserve the nation's
16 historic buildings, sites, and landscapes, recognizing that these places serve as tangible
17 connections to the ideals, history, and shared experiences that define the American story; and

18 WHEREAS, the Semiquincentennial offers an opportunity for all Americans to reflect on the
19 nation's history, celebrate its progress, and renew their commitment to civic participation and
20 public service.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body recognize and celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States
23 of America and encourage citizens to participate in commemorative activities that honor the
24 nation's history and promote unity and civic engagement.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
27 public and the press.