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H. CON. RES. 341

Expressing the sense of Congress that Federal funding of the Peace Corps should be doubled to \$550,000,000 by 2007, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. MCCOLLUM (for herself, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. WALSH, Mr. PETRI, Mr. NADLER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HALL of Ohio, and Mr. FORD) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that Federal funding of the Peace Corps should be doubled to \$550,000,000 by 2007, and for other purposes.

Whereas, since 1961, more than 165,000 volunteers have served in the Peace Corps in 134 countries in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Central Asia, Eastern and Central Europe, and Central and South America;

Whereas the President has put forward a national call to service and plans to increase the number of Peace Corps volunteers to almost 15,000 over the next 5 years;

Whereas visits to the Peace Corps internet web site and requests for applications increased 300 percent since the

President's call to service during his report on the State of the Union in January 2002;

Whereas Peace Corps volunteers provide an invaluable service to the Nation by responding to the real global crises of hunger, poverty, HIV and AIDS, maternal and child health, lack of education, and development challenges and have improved the lives of individuals and communities throughout the world;

Whereas the Peace Corps has enriched and strengthened the Nation by promoting international peace, cross-cultural awareness, and mutual understanding between the United States and the world; and

Whereas the spirit of service and commitment to helping others is a fundamental component of democracy: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)* That the Congress—

3 (1) recognizes the President's call to double the
4 number of Peace Corps volunteers to almost 15,000
5 in 5 years as an opportunity to improve under-
6 standing between the people of the United States
7 and the world; and

8 (2) recognizes the need to double funding for
9 the Peace Corps to \$550,000,000 by 2007.

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