RESOLUTION OF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE CONGRESS CONGRATULATING THE PEOPLE OF BERLIN ON THE OCCASION OF THE CITY'S SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY IN THE YEAR 1987, COMMENDING THE PEOPLE OF BERLIN FOR THEIR CENTURIES OF GREAT TRADITION AND CONTINUING COURAGE IN THE FACE HISTORICAL ADVERSITY, AND RECOGNIZING THE DEEP AND LASTING RELATIONS THEY HAVE WITH THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

WHEREAS 1987 MARKS THE SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT CITY OF BERLIN;

WHEREAS BERLIN IS RENOWNED FOR ITS TRADITIONS OF OPENNESS AND DIVERSITY;

WHEREAS BERLINERS HAVE BRAVELY CONSTRUCTED A FLOURISHING DEMOCRACY IN THE MIDS OF COMMUNIST TYRANNY;

WHEREAS THE BONDS LINKING BERLINERS AND AMERICANS ARE PROFUND AND LASTING;

WHEREAS BERLIN LOOKS CONFIDENTLY TO A FUTURE OF FREEDOM AND ACCOMPLISHMENT IN CLOSE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES; AND

WHEREAS THE WORDS "ICH BIN EIN BERLINER" RING ETERNAL IN THE HEARTS OF BOTH AMERICANS AND BERLINERS; NOW, THERFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRENSENTATIVES (THE SENATE CONCURRING), THAT THE CONGRESS-

- (1) EXPRESSLY CONGRATULATES BERLIN ON THE OCCASION OF THE CITY'S SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH ANNYVERSARY IN THE YEAR 1987;
- (2) COMMENDS THE PEOPLE OF BERLIN FOR THEIR CENTURIES OF GREAT TRADITION AND CONTINUING COURAGE IN THE FACE OF HISTORICAL ADVERSITY; AND
- (3) RECOGNIZES THE DEEP AN LASTING RELATIONS BERLINERS HAVE WITH THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

PRESENTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, THE HONORABLE JAMES C. WRIGHT, JR., ON APRIL 20, 1987, TO COMMEMORATE THE SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF BERLIN AND THE REOPENING OF THE KONGRESSHALLE.