

HOUSE No. 2722

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 6, 1950.

The committee on Constitutional Law, to whom was referred the message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation to memorialize Congress to authorize the issue of a postage stamp in commemoration of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of General Henry Knox (House, No. 2697), report the accompanying resolutions (House, No. 2722).

For the committee,

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

RESOLUTIONS PROVIDING THAT THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES BE PETITIONED TO PASS LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF A COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP IN RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE NATION OF MAJOR GENERAL HENRY KNOX.

1 *Whereas*, The commonwealth of Massachusetts has
2 been invited to join with her sister state, the state of
3 Maine, in commemorating the two hundredth anni-
4 versary of the birth of Major General Henry Knox,
5 which event occurred in Boston on July twenty-fifth,
6 seventeen hundred and fifty; and

7 *Whereas*, During his lifetime General Knox ren-
8 dered outstanding service in the military, political and
9 industrial life of the nation and this commonwealth,
10 serving as he did as General of Artillery in the Amer-
11 ican Revolution, as Secretary of War in the national
12 cabinet, as a member of the Massachusetts General
13 Court and as a member of the Governor's Council;
14 and

15 *Whereas*, A three day celebration of the birth of
16 General Knox has been planned under the auspices
17 of the Knox Memorial Association to be held in
18 Thomaston, Maine, and the legislature of that state
19 has unanimously adopted a resolution to congress
20 asking that a commemorative postage stamp be is-
21 sued in his honor; and

22 *Whereas*, It is appropriate that Massachusetts join
23 with the thirteen original states in asking that this
24 laudable tribute be paid to a son of Massachusetts;
25 therefore be it

26 *Resolved*, That this great historic occasion be and
27 hereby is recognized with full approval and support
28 of the events of the year; and be it further

29 *Resolved*, That our senators and representatives in
30 congress be and hereby are requested to petition the
31 Congress of the United States to pass appropriate
32 legislation authorizing the issue of a postage stamp
33 showing the beautiful "Montpelier" with a portrait
34 of General Henry Knox in recognition of his eminent
35 military, political and industrial service to our country.

