

104TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 172

Supporting the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc., of Galesburg, Illinois, in its endeavor to erect a monument known as the National Railroad Hall of Fame.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 22, 1995

Mr. EVANS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

RESOLUTION

Supporting the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc., of Galesburg, Illinois, in its endeavor to erect a monument known as the National Railroad Hall of Fame.

Whereas Galesburg, Illinois, has a profound link to the history of railroading beginning in 1849 when the Peoria and Oquawka Railroad organized;

Whereas the citizens of Galesburg supported a railroad to Chicago which was chartered as the Central Military Tract Railroad in 1851;

Whereas Galesburg and Chicago were joined by rail in 1854; as a result of this union, the Northern Cross Railroad joined the Central Military Tract Railroad at Galesburg;

Whereas in 1886 Galesburg secured the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway and became one of the few places

in the world to possess 2 mega powers of the railroad industry;

Whereas the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc. has been established in Galesburg and has reserved the name “National Railroad Hall of Fame” with the Secretary of State of Illinois;

Whereas the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc. organized and incorporated as a not-for-profit organization under the laws of Illinois;

Whereas the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc. filed a service-mark registration with the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, covering the name and logo of the organization;

Whereas the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc. has applied for a charter under the State of Illinois;

Whereas the objectives of the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc. include—

(1) perpetuating the memory of leaders and innovators in the railroad industry;

(2) fostering, promoting, and encouraging a better understanding of the origins and growth of railroads, especially in the United States; and

(3) establishing and maintaining a library and collection of documents, reports and other items of value to contribute to the education of future railroad students; and

Whereas the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc. has resolved to erect a monument known as the National Railroad Hall of Fame to honor men and women who actively

participated in the founding and development of the railroad industry in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—sup-
2 ports the National Railroad Hall of Fame, Inc., of Gales-
3 burg, Illinois, in its endeavor to erect a monument known
4 as the National Railroad Hall of Fame.

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