

116TH CONGRESS  
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# H. RES. 250

Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the National Parks Conservation Association.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2019

Mr. GRIJALVA submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## RESOLUTION

Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the National Parks Conservation Association.

Whereas, on May 19, 1919, the National Parks Conservation Association, formerly the National Parks Association, was founded when a group of scientists, artists, and civic leaders met in Washington, DC;

Whereas the National Parks Conservation Association founder, and first chief of education of the National Park Service, Robert Sterling Yard, led a six-member committee to develop the articles of incorporation with a purpose “to further the view of national parks as classrooms and museums of nature”;

Whereas the National Parks Conservation Association has grown from 1 staff member to a community of organizers, policy experts, attorneys, and communications

professionals teaming up with over 1.3 million members and supporters dedicated to advocating for our parks and inspiring future generations;

Whereas the National Parks Conservation Association mission of “protecting and enhancing America’s National Park System for present and future generations” is as relevant today as it was 100 years ago;

Whereas a century after its founding, the National Parks Conservation Association continues to act as a passionate and outspoken defender of America’s national parks and represents people from different backgrounds coming together to fulfill this unique mandate to steward our shared lands, independent of government and private business;

Whereas the National Parks Conservation Association’s founders believed in the vision of the national parks as incredible places deserving protection and preservation for all people, and the National Parks Conservation Association is dedicated to ensuring that all people can share in this vision, regardless of gender, race, or beliefs; and

Whereas the National Parks Conservation Association plays a vital role in protecting the places of unparalleled natural wonder, historical significance, and cultural value of the National Park System of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

- 1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2               (1) commemorates the 100th anniversary of the
- 3       founding of the National Parks Conservation Asso-
- 4       ciation;

1           (2) recognizes the National Parks Conservation  
2 Association for 100 years of protecting and enhance-  
3 ing America’s National Park System for present and  
4 future generations;

5           (3) applauds the National Parks Conservation  
6 Association for its past, present, and future efforts  
7 to advocate for America’s National Park System;  
8 and

9           (4) wishes the National Parks Conservation As-  
10 sociation continued success during its next 100 years  
11 as it strives to engage and inspire the public to ad-  
12 vance the mission of America’s National Park Sys-  
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