

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

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2/18 Hearing
2/19 Committee Report-Bill Pass As Amended
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3/22 Hearing
3/25 Adverse Committee Report
3/25 Resolution Killed

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INTRODUCED BY *Nisbet Cozy* *Marko Fitch* *Lehy*
Miller *Keenan* *Rock* *Grant Wood* *Harbin*
 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA HONORING THE
 APPEARANCE OF HALLEY'S COMET AND ENCOURAGING MONTANANS TO
 DIM OR EXTINGUISH OUTDOOR LIGHTING ON THE NIGHTS IN MARCH

AND APRIL OF 1986 WHEN THE COMET MAY BEST BE VIEWED AS IT
 PASSES THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD OF SPACE. *NATHA* *Hart* *Knue*
Jacques *Whit* *Stella* *Yantana* *Ream* *Bochini*
Arnold *Blaylock* *Montain* *Hand*

WHEREAS, Halley's Comet is a permanent member of our
 solar system and is visible from the planet Earth only at
 intervals of 74 to 79 years; and *Ullom* *Connolly*

WHEREAS, once and only once in most human lives, there
 comes the time of Halley's Comet; and *Bob Brown*

WHEREAS, Halley's Comet has been observed and recorded
 on every passage near the Earth since 239 B.C.; and

WHEREAS, Halley's Comet, last seen when Model T Fords
 chugged our dirt roads and the earliest fragile airplanes
 first took flight, has been sighted again and will be
 growing into full length and brilliance as it passes over
 Montana in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Montana's Big Sky Country offers some of the
 best astronomical viewing; and

WHEREAS, the best viewing times for Halley's Comet will

be on certain nights in March and April 1986, above the
 horizon for a few hours before morning twilight; and

WHEREAS, the brilliance of our city lights may make
 some of our generation miss the grand personal experience of
 viewing Halley's Comet; and

WHEREAS, the early morning hours are those when outdoor
 lighting is needed least.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE
 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

That the months of March and April 1986 be set aside to
 honor the appearance of Halley's Comet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in recognition of Halley's
 Comet, Montana citizens, commercial businesses, and state,
 local, and county agencies are encouraged to dim or
 extinguish unessential outdoor lighting on the mornings in
 1986 that the comet is visible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State
 send copies of this resolution to the publisher of each
 newspaper in Montana, the members of Montana's United States
 Congressional Delegation, and the Dark Skies for Comet
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APPROVED BY COMM. ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

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