

110TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. CON. RES. 22

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that a commemorative postage stamp be issued to promote public awareness of Down syndrome.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 21, 2007

Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas Down syndrome affects people of all races and economic levels;

Whereas Down syndrome is the most frequently occurring chromosomal abnormality;

Whereas 1 in every 800 to 1,000 children is born with Down syndrome;

Whereas more than 350,000 people in the United States have  
Down syndrome;

Whereas 5,000 children with Down syndrome are born each  
year;

Whereas as the mortality rate associated with Down syn-  
drome in the United States decreases, the prevalence of  
individuals with Down syndrome in the United States will  
increase;

Whereas some experts project that the number of people with  
Down syndrome will double by 2013;

Whereas individuals with Down syndrome are becoming in-  
creasingly integrated into society and community organi-  
zations, such as schools, health care systems, work forces,  
and social and recreational activities;

Whereas more and more people in the United States interact  
with individuals with Down syndrome, increasing the  
need for widespread public acceptance and education; and

Whereas a greater understanding of Down syndrome and ad-  
vancements in treatment of Down syndrome-related  
health problems have allowed people with Down syndrome  
to enjoy fuller and more active lives: Now, therefore, be  
it

1       *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*  
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that—

3           (1) the United States Postal Service should  
4       issue a commemorative postage stamp to promote  
5       public awareness of Down syndrome; and

1           (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee  
2           should recommend to the Postmaster General that  
3           such a stamp be issued.

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