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THE ~~WHITE~~ HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 3, 1986

MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached for your approval is
S.J.Res. 159 -- National Floral
Emblem.

Approval of the bill is recommended
by OMB and the Offices of
Legislative Affairs, Policy
Development, and Intergovernmental
Affairs. The Agriculture and
Commerce Departments, Counsel's
Office, and the Offices of Cabinet
Affairs and Communications all have
no objection.



David L. Chew

LAST DAY FOR ACTION: October 8th



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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 159 - National Floral Emblem
Sponsors - Sen. Johnston (D) Louisiana and 54 others

Last Day for Action

October 8, 1986 - Wednesday

Purpose

To designate the rose as the national flower.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Agriculture

(Informally)
No objection


Department of Commerce

No objection

Discussion

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James C. Miller III
Director

Enclosures

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/01/86 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10/02/86

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RESPONSE:

David L. Chew
Staff Secretary
Ext. 2702

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MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID L. CHEW
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
STAFF SECRETARY

FROM: JAY B. STEPHENS
DEPUTY COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled S.J. Res. 159--National Floral Emblem

We have reviewed the referenced joint resolution and have no legal objection to the President signing it.

For your information we note that four states and the District of Columbia have designated the rose (or a type of rose) as state flower: Georgia (Cherokee rose); Iowa (wild rose); New York (rose); North Dakota (wild prairie rose); and District of Columbia (American Beauty rose). Also, many countries have designated the rose as their national flower: Bulgaria (red rose); Czechoslovakia (rose); England (red tudor rose); Iran (red rose); Iraq (rose); Italy (rose); Luxembourg (rose); Rumania (dog rose); and Turkey (rose).

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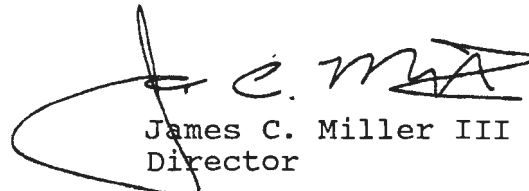
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RESPONSE:



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20250

October 1 1986

Honorable James C. Miller III
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Miller:

As requested by your office, the Department of Agriculture has reviewed the enrolled enactment S.J. Res. 159, "To designate the rose as the national floral emblem."

We find that S.J. Res. 159 reasonably states conditions as they exist, and we recommend that the President sign the enrolled enactment.

For further information contact Bill Whyte 447-8174.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard E. Lyng".

RICHARD E. LYNG
Secretary



GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Washington, D.C. 20230

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Honorable James C. Miller III
Director, Office of Management
and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Attention: Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Dear Mr. Miller:

This is in response to your request for the views of the
Department of Commerce concerning S.J.Res. 159, an enrolled
enactment -

"To designate the rose as the national floral emblem."

The Department would have no objection to the approval of
S.J.Res. 159 by the President.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas A. Riggs".

Douglas A. Riggs

DESIGNATING THE ROSE AS THE NATIONAL FLORAL
EMBLEM

SEPTEMBER 18, 1986.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. GARCIA, from the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany S.J. Res. 159]

The Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, to whom was referred the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 159) to designate the rose as the national floral emblem, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the joint resolution do pass.

PURPOSE

The purpose of S.J. Res. 159 is to designate the rose as the national floral emblem of the United States of America.

COMMITTEE ACTION

S.J. Res. 159 passed the Senate on September 16, 1985, and was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service on September 17, 1985.

On September 12, 1985, Representative Lindy Boggs introduced H.J. Res. 385, companion bill of S.J. Res. 159, which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

The Subcommittee on Census and Population conducted a hearing on the subject matter of H.J. Res. 385 on June 25, 1986 (Serial No. 99-63). Testimony was received from Members of Congress and horticulturists. Additional statements from various organizations were accepted for insertion in the hearing record.

On August 7, 1986, the Subcommittee approved S.J. Res. 159, by voice vote, for full Committee consideration.

On September 16, 1986, the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, by voice vote and with a quorum present, ordered S.J. Res. 159 favorably reported without amendment.

STATEMENT

Our country is unique among major nations in the world by having no national flower. However, Congressional attempts to designate particular flowers as symbols of our nation's history and traditions date as early as the late 19th century. Just during the past two decades, more than seventy resolutions have been introduced proposing the designation of a national flower. Flowers proposed include the rose, marigold, dogwood, corn tassel, the mountain laurel and the columbine.

In the 99th Congress, three bills were referred to the Committee: H.J. Res. 385, designating the rose as the national floral emblem; S.J. Res. 159, companion bill of H.J. Res. 385, which passed the Senate; and H.J. Res. 471, designating the American marigold as the national flower of the United States.

In designating a national flower experts have pointed out that the flower must be representative of our national heritage, be native to North America, and be found in most all of the 50 states. Across the country it seemed clear that the rose was the flower of choice to be the national flower. Numerous public opinion polls have been taken during the past several decades, and variations of the rose have won by a large margin. In the view of many Americans, the rose signifies love, peace, friendship, courage, loyalty, and devotion. The rose is grown in every state of the Union, including Alaska, and it has become part of many of our country's official ceremonies.

By designating a national flower, our nation will be joining the other major Western countries that already have a national flower. While the Committee does not promote any particular type of rose as the national flower, the Committee does believe that the rose is the appropriate choice to be the national flower of the United States.

COST

The enactment of S.J. Res. 159 should not result in any additional costs to the Government.

OVERSIGHT

Under the rules of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, the Subcommittee on Census and Population is vested with legislative and oversight jurisdiction over the subject matter of this legislation. As a result of the hearing, the subcommittee concluded that there is ample justification for enacting this legislation.

The committee received no report of oversight findings or recommendations from the Committee on Government Operations pursuant to clause 4(c)(2) of House Rule X.

INFLATIONARY IMPACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 2(l)(4) of House Rule XI, the committee has concluded that the enactment of S.J. Res. 159 will have no inflationary impact on the national economy.



Ninety-ninth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six*

Joint Resolution

To designate the rose as the national floral emblem.

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Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the flower commonly known as the rose is designated and adopted as the national floral emblem of the United States of America, and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to declare such fact by proclamation.

Thomas P. O'Neill
 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Strom Thurmond

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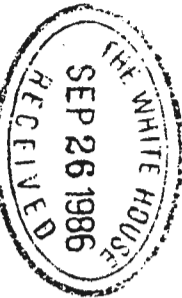
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