

105TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. CON. RES. 113

To rename the Document Door of the Capitol as the Chestnut-Gibson
Memorial Door.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 28, 1998

Mr. CAMPBELL submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was
referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To rename the Document Door of the Capitol as the
Chestnut-Gibson Memorial Door.

Whereas on Friday, July 24, 1998, a lone gunman entered
the United States Capitol building through the door
known as the Document Door, located on the first floor
of the East Front;

Whereas while the gunman's intentions are not yet fully
known, nor may ever be known, it is clear that he would
have killed many more innocent people if Officers Chest-
nut and Gibson had not ended his violent rampage;

Whereas Officer Jacob Chestnut was the first Capitol Police
officer to confront the gunman just inside the Document
Door and lost his life as a result;

Whereas Detective John Gibson was the next officer to confront the gunman and also lost his life in the ensuing shootout;

Whereas the last shot fired by Detective Gibson, his final act as an officer of the law, finally brought down the gunman and ended his deadly rampage;

Whereas this was the first time members of the Capitol Police have been killed in the line of duty in the 170-year history of the police force;

Whereas the Capitol Police represent true dedication and professionalism in their duties to keep the Capitol Building, the Library of Congress, and the Senate and House of Representatives office buildings safe for all who enter them;

Whereas the Capitol shines as a beacon of freedom and democracy all around the world;

Whereas keeping the sacred halls of the Capitol, known as the People's House, accessible for all the people of the United States and the world is a true testament of Congress and of our Nation's dedication to upholding the virtues of freedom;

Whereas the door where this tragic incident took place is known as the Document Door; and

Whereas it is fitting and appropriate that the Document Door be renamed as the Chestnut-Gibson Memorial Door in honor of Officer Jacob Chestnut and Detective John Gibson: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
- 2 *concurring), That the Document Door located on the first*
- 3 *floor of the East Front is renamed as the Chestnut-Gibson*

1 Memorial Door in honor of Officer Jacob Joseph Chestnut
2 and Detective John Michael Gibson.

