

House Resolution 121 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 121

BY HEARTSILL

1 A Resolution recognizing Knoxville as the birthplace
2 of the Iowa State Flag and recognizing the week of
3 March 23 through March 29, 2014, as Dixie Cornell
4 Gebhardt Week.

5 WHEREAS, March 29, 2014, marks the 93rd Anniversary
6 of the adoption of the Iowa State Flag by the 39th Iowa
7 General Assembly; and

8 WHEREAS, Knoxville is known as the birthplace of the
9 Iowa State Flag; and

10 WHEREAS, Dixie Cornell Gebhardt, the daughter of a
11 Civil War veteran, was born on November 18, 1866, in
12 Knoxville, lived most of her life in Iowa, and died in
13 Knoxville on October 16, 1955; and

14 WHEREAS, Dixie Gebhardt, along with other members
15 of the Mary Marion Chapter of the Daughters of the
16 Revolution of Knoxville, designed the Iowa flag in
17 1917; and

18 WHEREAS, the Honorable Terry Branstad, Governor of
19 the State of Iowa, has proclaimed March 29, 2014, as
20 Iowa State Flag Day; and

21 WHEREAS, the blue stripe of the banner stands for
22 loyalty, justice, and truth, the broad white stripe for
23 purity, and the red stripe for courage; and

24 WHEREAS, the eagle carries blue streamers inscribed
25 with the state motto, "Our Liberties We Prize and Our
26 Rights We Will Maintain", thus combining our national
27 symbol with our state motto; NOW THEREFORE,

28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That

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1 the House of Representatives recognizes Knoxville as
2 the birthplace of the Iowa State Flag, recognizes March
3 23 through March 29, 2014, as Dixie Cornell Gebhardt
4 Week, and recognizes March 29, 2014, as Iowa State Flag
5 Day.