[CHAPTER 531.]

AN ACT

To aid in defraying the expenses for the celebration of the bicentennial of the birth of Patrick Henry to be held at Hanover Courthouse, Virginia, July 15, 16, and 17, 1936.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $10,000 to aid in defraying the expenses for the celebration of the bicentennial of the birth of Patrick Henry to be held at Hanover Courthouse, Virginia, July 15, 16, and 17, 1936, such sum to be expended for such purposes by the Patrick Henry Bi-Centennial, Incorporated, Ashland, Hanover County, Virginia, and without regard to any other provision of law.

Approved, June 5, 1936.

[CHAPTER 532.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the joint resolution of July 18, 1935, relating to the Seventieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, to be held in the District of Columbia in September 1936.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the joint resolution entitled “Joint resolution giving authority to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to make special regulations for the occasion of the Seventieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in the District of Columbia in the month of September 1936, and for other purposes, incident to the said encampment”, approved July 18, 1935, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized and directed to make such special regulations for the occasion of the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic which shall take place in the District of Columbia during the month of September 1936 as they shall deem advisable for the preservation of public order and the protection of life and property, to be in force one week prior to said encampment, during said encampment, and one week subsequent thereto, such special regulations shall be published in one or more of the daily newspapers of the District of Columbia, and no penalty prescribed for the violation of such regulations shall be enforced until five days after such publication. Any person violating any of the aforesaid regulations, or the aforesaid schedule of fares shall, upon conviction thereof in the police court of the said District, be liable for such offense to a fine not to exceed $100, and, in default of payment of such fine, to imprisonment in the workhouse (or jail) of said District for not longer than sixty days. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its approval, and the sum of $15,000 or as much thereof as may be necessary, payable from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and from the revenues of the District of Columbia in equal parts, is hereby appropriated. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized in conjunction with the Citizens’ Executive Committee of the Grand Army of the Republic, who shall be appointed by the said Commissioners, to expend the said sum of $15,000 to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this joint resolution, and for such expenses incident to the encampment as the said Commissioners, in their discretion and judgment, may deem advisable.”
SEC. 2. That portion of section 5 of such joint resolution of July 18, 1935, which precedes the first proviso, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 5. That the Superintendent of National Capital Parks, subject to the approval of the Director of National Park Service, is hereby authorized to grant permits to the citizens' executive committee for the entertainment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the use of any reservation or other public spaces in the city of Washington on the occasion of the seventieth national encampment, in the month of September 1936, which, in his opinion, will inflict no serious or permanent injuries upon such reservations or public spaces, or statuary therein; and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may designate for such and other purposes on the occasion aforesaid such streets, avenues, and sidewalks in the said city of Washington as they may deem proper and necessary for the erection of reviewing stands, platforms, or other structures, and that no person or corporation shall be authorized to erect or use such stands, platforms, or other structures without permission of said committee."

Approved, June 5, 1936.

[CHAPTER 533.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing and requesting the President to extend to the Government of Sweden and individuals an invitation to join the Government and people of the United States in the observance of the three-hundredth anniversary of the first permanent settlement in the Delaware River Valley, and for other purposes.

Whereas there is to be held at Wilmington, Delaware, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and at several places in other States, during the year 1938, celebrations commemorating the three-hundredth anniversary of the first permanent settlement in the Delaware River Valley, said settlement being also the first settlement of the colony of New Sweden, which embraced parts of the present States of Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey; and

Whereas, in accordance with a resolution of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, approved March 20, 1935, the Governor of said State has appointed a commission of eleven members, designated as the Delaware Swedish Tercentenary Commission, with authority "to prepare plans for a fitting celebration by the State of Delaware on the occasion of the three-hundredth anniversary in 1938 of the founding of the first permanent settlement and the establishment of the first permanent government upon the soil of Delaware * * *; and to cooperate with other commissions or committees representing the city of Wilmington; historical, patriotic, and other societies of the State of Delaware and other States; the governments of other States; and the National Governments of the United States and Sweden"; and

Whereas at its annual meeting held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on January 17, 1935, the Pennsylvania Federation of Historical Societies (embracing seventy-three constituent historical societies) adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas plans are in preparation to celebrate the tercentenary of the landing of the Swedes on the Delaware and the establishment of the first permanent white settlement, and the first government in Pennsylvania, in 1638: Now therefore, be it

"Resolved, That this Federation pledge its hearty endorsement to such commemoration; and"