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Commemorating the life and legacy of Jean-Louis de K rouac on the centennial of his birth on March 12, 2022.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. TRAHAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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# RESOLUTION

Commemorating the life and legacy of Jean-Louis de K rouac on the centennial of his birth on March 12, 2022.

Whereas Jean-Louis de K rouac, better known as “Jack”, was a giant of American literature and favorite son of Lowell, Massachusetts;

Whereas, alongside Allen Ginsberg and William Burroughs, Jack Kerouac ignited the literary movement in the 1950s known as the “Beat Generation”;

Whereas the Beat Generation’s rebuke against traditional values and materialism created the foundation for subsequent counterculture movements in America and beyond;

Whereas the beatnik stereotype dominated popular media and culture in the 1950s and 1960s, an amalgamation of Kerouac's self-expressive, unconventional characters;

Whereas the "Beatles" took their name after the movement, while artists such as Bob Dylan and Jim Morrison cite Kerouac's work as major influences; and

Whereas, more than half a century since his death, Kerouac's novels still fire the imagination, particularly of young people, and serve as a tribute to their culture-changing origins: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-  
2 nizes and commemorates the enduring contribution of  
3 Jack Kerouac's work to American literary culture and be-  
4 yond on the centennial of his birth.