



H.RES. 970 – EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR DESIGNATION OF JUNE 30 AS "NATIONAL CORVETTE DAY"

FLOOR SITUATION

H.Res. 970 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative John Shimkus (R-IL) on February 7, 2008. The House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform agreed to the resolution and ordered it to be reported by voice vote on June 20, 2008.

H.Res. 970 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on June 24, 2008.

SUMMARY

H.Res. 970 resolves that the House of Representatives supports the designation of a 'National Corvette Day' to honor the Chevrolet Corvette.

BACKGROUND

The Chevrolet Corvette was first manufactured by General Motors (GM) in 1953 and was the first American sports car produced. The car was designed by GM employee Harley J. Earl and went into full production on June 30, 1953. Today, Corvettes are exclusively manufactured at the GM plant in Bowling Green, Kentucky, with tours of the assembly line offered to visitors. There have been six generations of Corvettes produced to date. The original 1953 Corvette produced 150 horsepower and the 2008 Corvette Z06 model produces 505 horsepower.

The National Corvette Museum is also located in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The museum offers visitors a complete history of the Corvette and displays numerous Corvette models from all six generations of the car.

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