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Supporting the goals of Smart Irrigation Month, which recognizes the advances in irrigation technology and practices that help raise healthy plants and increase crop yields while using water resources more efficiently and encourages the adoption of smart irrigation practices throughout the United States to further improve water-use efficiency in agricultural, residential, and commercial activities.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 16, 2009

Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas water is a finite resource that is vital to human life;

Whereas growing populations and changing climate mean increased pressure on limited water supplies;

Whereas well-maintained green spaces are important to the health and well-being of communities and individuals;

Whereas abundant supplies of affordable food and fiber raise the standard of living for all people of the United States;

Whereas appropriate irrigation technology, combined with best practices, can significantly improve water-use efficiency and reduce runoff while achieving greater agricultural yields per acre-foot of water used;

Whereas appropriate irrigation technology, combined with best practices, can significantly reduce water usage and runoff while creating healthy lawns, landscaping, and sports turf; and

Whereas because July is a peak month for the use of water for irrigation, July has been selected as Smart Irrigation Month: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*  
 2 *concurring)*, That Congress supports the goals of Smart  
 3 Irrigation Month, which are—

4            (1) to recognize the advances in irrigation tech-  
 5 nology and practices that help raise healthy plants  
 6 and increase crop yields while using water resources  
 7 more efficiently; and

8            (2) to encourage the adoption of smart irriga-  
 9 tion practices throughout the United States to fur-  
 10 ther improve water-use efficiency in agricultural,  
 11 residential, and commercial activities.

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