WXPost FEB 17 1975 Rep. Mitchell Backs Guard At Watergate

Rep. Parren J. Mitchell (D-Md.) said yesterday he will introduce a House resolution expressing thanks and support for Frank Wills, the security guard who discovered and reported the June, 1972, Watergate break-in

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Mitchell, speaking on a program to honor Wills at a Baltimore church, said he is disheartened that no expression of national appreciation has been made to Willis, without whose efforts "it is questionable" whether U.S. government would be intact "as the democratic way and appreciate the area of the second of t

racy it was planned to be."
Wills, 26, would get no monetary reward under the resoluetary reward under the resolu-tion, but instead thanks on be-half of the country and a pledge of support in finding "gainful employment," Mitch-ell said. Wills has had diffi-culty finding a job since he left the Watergate as a guard.

Mitchell said he will introduce the resolution in the house on Thursday and has asked Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) to propose a similar resolution in the Sentato

ate.

In his request to Humphrey, Mitchell wrote that such recognition for Wills would be significant to the nation's minority groups "who all too often feel their deeds go unnoticed, while the powerful always receive acknowledgement and reward."