

107TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. CON. RES. 115

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 22, 2002

Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that all workers deserve fair treatment and safe working conditions, and honoring Dolores Huerta for her commitment to the improvement of working conditions for children, women, and farm worker families.

Whereas Dolores Huerta is a preeminent civil rights leader who has been fighting for the rights of the underserved for more than 40 years;

Whereas Dolores Huerta was born on April 10, 1930, in Dawson, New Mexico;

Whereas Dolores Huerta was raised, along with her 2 brothers and 2 sisters, in the San Joaquin Valley town of Stockton, California, where she was witness to her mother's care and generosity for local, poverty-stricken farm worker families;

Whereas after earning a teaching credential from Stockton College, Dolores Huerta was motivated to become a pub-

lic servant and community leader upon seeing her students suffer from hunger and poverty;

Whereas Dolores Huerta defied cultural and gender stereotypes by becoming a powerful and distinguished champion for farm worker families;

Whereas in addition to her unyielding support for farm workers' rights, Dolores Huerta has been a stalwart advocate for the protection of women and children;

Whereas notwithstanding her intensity of spirit and her willingness to brave challenges, Dolores Huerta has always espoused peaceful, nonviolent tactics to promote her ideals and achieve her goals;

Whereas Dolores Huerta established her career as a social activist in 1955 when she founded the Stockton chapter of the Community Service Organization, a Latino association based in California, and became involved in the association's civic and educational programs;

Whereas in 1962, together with Cesar Chavez, Dolores Huerta founded the National Farm Workers Association, a precursor to the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, which was formed in 1967;

Whereas Dolores Huerta is the proud mother of 11 children and has 14 grandchildren; and

Whereas Dolores Huerta was inducted into the Women's Hall of Fame in 1993 for her relentless dedication to farm worker issues: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
2 *concurring), That—*

1 (1) it is the sense of the Congress that all work-
2 ers deserve fair treatment and safe working condi-
3 tions; and

4 (2) the Congress honors Dolores Huerta for her
5 commitment to the improvement of working condi-
6 tions for children, women, and farm worker families.

Passed the Senate May 21, 2002.

Attest:

JERI THOMSON,

Secretary.