

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 130

Expressing the sense of the Congress that neither the President, the Vice President, nor any Member of Congress, justice or judge of the United States, or political appointee in the executive branch of the Government should belong to a club that discriminates on the basis of sex or race.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 31, 2003

Mrs. MALONEY (for herself, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. OWENS, Ms. LEE, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. WATSON, and Ms. NORTON) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on House Administration, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that neither the President, the Vice President, nor any Member of Congress, justice or judge of the United States, or political appointee in the executive branch of the Government should belong to a club that discriminates on the basis of sex or race.

Whereas Congress respects the right of private association;

Whereas the right of private association among friends, colleagues, and like-minded individuals is a deeply held American value when it is truly private, but is immorally invoked when it is used as a cover for discrimination;

Whereas the President, the Vice President, Members of Congress, justices and judges of the United States, and political appointees in the executive branch of the Government, by virtue of their public office, are obligated to adhere to a higher standard of conduct than what is minimally required by law, a standard of conduct that reflects the American value that discrimination is wrong; and

Whereas Members of Congress and other Government officials have recognized that membership in any club that discriminates is unacceptable for a public official, and have consequently resigned therefrom: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This resolution may be cited as the “Fair Play-Equal
5 Access in Membership Resolution”.

6 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.**

7 It is the sense of the Congress that neither the Presi-
8 dent, the Vice President, nor any Member of Congress,
9 justice or judge of the United States, or political appointee
10 in the executive branch of the Government should belong
11 to a club that discriminates on the basis of sex or race.

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