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H. CON. RES. 262

Supporting the observance of National Latino AIDS Awareness Day on
October 15th, 2005, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 6, 2005

Ms. SOLIS (for herself, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. REYES, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. HONDA, Mr. PALLONE, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. RANGEL, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. GONZALEZ, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. WYNN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Ms. WATSON, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. COSTA, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. FORTUÑO, Mrs. BONO, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. STARK, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. BACA, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mrs. CAPPES, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. PASTOR) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the observance of National Latino AIDS Awareness Day on October 15th, 2005, and for other purposes.

Whereas Latinos represent only 14 percent of the population of the United States and account for 20 percent of AIDS cases nationally;

Whereas 40,000 new cases of HIV are expected to be diagnosed in the United States every year;

Whereas AIDS-related illnesses represent the fourth leading cause of death among Latinos ages 25 to 44;

Whereas, among racial and ethnic groups, Latinos are rated the second highest in the number of diagnoses of AIDS;

Whereas education and yearly examinations are the key components of early detection;

Whereas observing a National Latino AIDS Awareness Day would provide a special opportunity to offer education on the importance of annual examinations; and

Whereas it would be appropriate to observe October 15, 2005, as National Latino AIDS Awareness Day: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) supports the observance of National Latino
4 AIDS Awareness Day in order to provide a special
5 opportunity to offer education on the importance of
6 prevention and treatment;

7 (2) salutes the more than 76,000 Latino AIDS
8 survivors in the United States and the efforts of in-
9 dividuals living with HIV/AIDS, volunteers, and pro-
10 fessionals who combat AIDS each day;

1 (3) recognizes and applauds national and com-
2 munity organizations for their work in promoting
3 awareness about AIDS, providing information, and
4 offering treatment to those who suffer from the dis-
5 ease; and

6 (4) urges organizations and health practitioners
7 to use this opportunity to promote awareness about
8 AIDS, and to support and to encourage yearly test-
9 ing.

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