## 109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. CON. RES. 337

Encouraging all Americans to increase their charitable giving, with the goal of increasing the annual amount of charitable giving in the United States by one percent.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 8, 2006

Mr. Radanovich (for himself, Mr. Ford, Mr. Aderholt, Mr. Bachus, Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Biggert, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Bishop of Utah, Mr. Blunt, Mr. BOEHNER, Mrs. BONO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Ms. Ginny Brown-Waite of Florida, Mr. Burton of Indiana, Mr. Calvert, Mr. Cannon, Mr. Cantor, Mrs. Capito, Mr. Cardoza, Mr. Carter, Mr. Castle, Mr. Chabot, Mr. Coble, Mr. Cole of Oklahoma, Mr. Conaway, Mr. Costa, Mr. Culberson, Mr. Deal of Georgia, Mr. Dent, Mr. Lincoln Diaz-Balart of Florida, Mr. Mario Diaz-BALART of Florida, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DREIER, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. EVERETT, Ms. FOXX, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. Gerlach, Mr. Gilchrest, Mr. Gillmor, Mr. Gingrey, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Ms. Hart, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Hayworth, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. ISSA, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. Keller, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Kolbe, Mr. Lahood, Mr. Latham, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. PITTS, Mr. Rehberg, Mr. Renzi, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Shadegg, Mr. Shuster, Mr. Souder, Mr. Tiberi, Mr. Weldon of Pennsylvania, Mr. Brown of South Carolina, Mr. Franks of Arizona, Mr. Gutknecht, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Encouraging all Americans to increase their charitable giv-

- ing, with the goal of increasing the annual amount of charitable giving in the United States by one percent.
- Whereas individual charitable giving rates among Americans have stagnated at 1.5 to 2.2 percent of aggregate individual income for the past 50 years;
- Whereas a one percent increase (from two to three percent) in charitable giving will generate over \$90,000,000,000 to charity;
- Whereas charitable giving is a significant source of funding for health, education, and welfare programs; and
- Whereas a one percent increase in charitable giving may reduce the Federal deficit, reduce the call for tax increases, and provide funds to benefit our national health, education, and welfare goals: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
  - 2 concurring), That Congress encourages all Americans to
  - 3 increase their charitable giving, with the goal of increasing
  - 4 the annual amount of charitable giving in the United
  - 5 States by one percent.

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