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2D SESSION

# H. RES. 1006

Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Miner's Day to celebrate and honor the contributions of miners and encouraging the people of the United States to participate in local and National activities celebrating and honoring the contributions of miners.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 28, 2008

Mr. RAHALL (for himself and Mr. MOLLOHAN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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## RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Miner's Day to celebrate and honor the contributions of miners and encouraging the people of the United States to participate in local and National activities celebrating and honoring the contributions of miners.

Whereas miners daily risk life and limb in their labors;

Whereas the foundations of civilization are constructed from, advanced by, and sustained with, the materials procured with miner's sweat and blood;

Whereas without these selfless and dedicated miners, human society could never have progressed, nor continue to function;

Whereas the miners of the United States have labored long and hard over the more than 231 years of our great country's existence;

Whereas miners and their families have achieved, provided, and sacrificed so much in those 2 centuries;

Whereas the great mining tragedy at Monongah, West Virginia, that occurred on December 6, 1907, is recognized to this day for causing the greatest loss of lives in American industrial history;

Whereas that tragedy helped to launch the National effort to secure the safety and health of our miners;

Whereas the year 2006, 99 years after that tragic event, was marked by a series of mine tragedies that demonstrated the Nation's continued need for vigilance in our mines and resulted in a new law to increase protection of our miners;

Whereas the contributions of miners are so vital to our Nation's well-being yet so often taken for granted; and

Whereas December 6 would be an appropriate date to observe a National Miner's Day: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) supports the goals and ideals of a National  
3       Miner's Day to celebrate and honor the contribu-  
4       tions of miners; and

5               (2) encourages the people of the United States  
6       to participate in local and National activities cele-  
7       brating and honoring the contributions of miners.

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