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# H. RES. 646

Celebrating the 220th Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. MACK, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Ms. FOXX, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. AKIN, and Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## RESOLUTION

Celebrating the 220th Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America, and for other purposes.

Whereas the Constitution of the United States of America was formally signed on September 17, 1787, by thirty-nine delegates from twelve States;

Whereas the Constitution of the United States was subsequently ratified by each of the original thirteen States;

Whereas the Constitution of the United States was drafted in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty for citizens of the United States;

Whereas the liberties enjoyed by the citizens of the United States today are rooted in this cherished document that gave birth to this Nation;

Whereas the Constitution of the United States serves as the foundation for citizens of the United States to accomplish a level of prosperity, security, justice, and freedom unsurpassed by any other country;

Whereas the Constitution of the United States is a model for establishing freedom in other nations;

Whereas the Members of the House of Representatives take an oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States; and

Whereas September 17, 2007, is the 220th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) celebrates the 220th Anniversary of the  
3       signing of the Constitution of the United States of  
4       America;

5               (2) honors the efforts of the forty-two delegates  
6       who attended the majority of the Constitutional  
7       Convention meetings and the thirty-nine signers of  
8       the Constitution of the United States;

9               (3) acknowledges the significance of the ideals  
10       established by the Constitution of the United States,  
11       including the principle of a limited federal govern-  
12       ment with a system of checks and balances between  
13       the three branches;

1           (4) recognizes the Constitution of the United  
2 States as the source responsible for our Nation’s  
3 ability to withstand calamity and preserve national  
4 stability, or as Thomas Jefferson wrote: “Our pecu-  
5 liar security is in the possession of a written Con-  
6 stitution.”; and

7           (5) encourages the citizens of the United States  
8 of America, who have the privilege to share in the  
9 freedoms recognized in the Constitution of the  
10 United States, to join with the House of Representa-  
11 tives in this historic celebration.

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