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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Encouraging banks and mortgage servicers to work with families affected by contaminated drywall and to consider adjustments to payment schedules on their home mortgages that take into account the financial burdens of responding to the presence of such drywall.

Whereas since January 2009 over 1,300 cases of contaminated drywall have been reported from 26 States and the District of Columbia;

Whereas noxious gases released from contaminated drywall can cause serious health effects involving the upper respiratory tract, such as bloody noses, rashes, sore throats, and burning eyes;

Whereas the dangers and health risks posed by contaminated drywall have forced thousands of families out of their homes and into temporary living situations, and many such families are unable to afford an additional financial burden;

Whereas banks and mortgage servicers can help families affected by contaminated drywall by taking into account, with respect to their mortgage payments, the financial burdens imposed by the need to respond to this problem: Now, therefore, be it

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2009.