

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 315

Supporting the goals and ideals of Alcohol Awareness Month.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 1, 2009

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, and Ms. BORDALLO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

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Whereas in 2007 there were 12,998 alcohol-impaired traffic fatalities in the United States causing countless families immeasurable pain and suffering;

Whereas on average someone is killed in an alcohol-impaired crash every 30 minutes;

Whereas according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in 2007, 67 percent of drivers involved in alcohol-impaired traffic fatalities had a high blood alcohol concentration driver at .15 percent or above;

Whereas the potential danger for young people to be involved in alcohol-related crashes escalates during prom and graduation season;

Whereas research shows that effective communication between parents and their children beginning at an early age can help prevent underage drinking and alcohol abuse;

Whereas many State attorneys general are launching underage drinking prevention messages and programs in their States and communities;

Whereas the Nation's prosecutors are releasing a new program to improve adjudication of drunk driving cases which will reduce drunk driving and save lives; and

Whereas April 8 is National Alcohol Screening Day where Americans across the Nation can be screened anonymously to see if their drinking habits may be risky and are given a chance to talk with health providers about concerns: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the goals and ideals of Alcohol
3 Awareness Month;

4 (2) encourages parents to talk with their chil-
5 dren about the dangers of substance abuse;

6 (3) condemns the pervasiveness of alcohol-im-
7 paired driving and tragedy; and

8 (4) promotes the responsible consumption of al-
9 cohol for all people of the United States.

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