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Expressing support for designation of a “Free Enterprise Education Week” to encourage elementary and secondary schools, institutions of higher education, and small and large businesses to educate students about free enterprise.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 2, 2009

Mr. McCLINTOCK submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the United States values the free enterprise system as the basic economic system in the Nation and our Nation should set a goal that all students in kindergarten through grade 12 and those students enrolled in postsecondary education have an understanding of the importance of the Nation’s free enterprise system, economics, and personal finance;

Whereas a student’s understanding of the Nation’s free market system is an important part of the Nation’s long-term

economic growth and will enable that student to become a more productive and informed citizen;

Whereas United States companies, student organizations, and teachers are willing and able to participate in educating young people about free enterprise and many organizations have developed programs to teach and encourage entrepreneurship among students;

Whereas in 2001, Congress created the Excellence in Economic Education program, which aims to promote economic and financial literacy among all elementary and secondary students by improving the quality of student understanding of economics and personal finance through effective teaching of economics in the Nation's classrooms; and

Whereas through the Excellence in Economic Education program, the Federal Government works to increase students' knowledge of and achievement in economics, strengthen teachers' understanding of economics, encourage economic education research and development, disseminate effective instructional materials, and leverage and expand increased private and public support for economic education partnerships at the national, State, and local levels: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the designation of a “Free Enterprise Education Week” to encourage elementary and
3 secondary schools, institutions of higher education,
4 and small and large businesses in the United States
5 to educate students about the free enterprise system,
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1 (2) requests that the President issue a procla-
2 mation calling upon the people of the United States
3 and interested organizations to observe such a week
4 with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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