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Recognizing the numerous contributions of the recreational boating community and the boating industry to the continuing prosperity and affluence of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 6, 2009

Mr. KLEIN of Florida (for himself, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. TAYLOR, and Mrs. MILLER of Michigan) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the numerous contributions of the recreational boating community and the boating industry to the continuing prosperity and affluence of the United States.

Whereas the boating community in the United States includes over 59,000,000 individuals, generates more than \$33,000,000,000 annually in the United States economy, and provides jobs for 337,000 citizens of the United States who earn wages totaling \$10,400,000,000 annually;

Whereas boaters often serve as stewards of the marine environment of the United States, educating future generations of the value of these resources, and preserving such resources for such generations' enjoyment;

Whereas there are approximately 1,400 active boat builders in the United States, using materials and services contributed from all 50 States;

Whereas boating, as an activity, provides opportunities for families to be together, appeals to all age groups, and has a beneficial effect on the physical fitness and scholastic performance of those who participate; and

Whereas, July 1, 2009, would be an appropriate day to establish as National Boating Day: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that—

3 (1) the recreational boating community and the
4 boating industry of the United States should be
5 commended for their numerous contributions to the
6 economy of the United States, the well-being of
7 United States citizens, and responsible environ-
8 mental stewardship of the marine resources of the
9 United States; and

10 (2) the President should issue a proclamation
11 calling on the people of the United States to observe
12 National Boating Day with appropriate programs
13 and activities that emphasize family involvement and
14 provide an opportunity to promote the boating in-
15 dustry.

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