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H. RES. 664

Congratulating and honoring Barnes Jewish Hospital, Henry Ford Medical Center, Johns Hopkins Hospital, and Integris Baptist Hospital for the completion of a successful 16-person kidney transplant.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 21, 2009

Mr. CLAY (for himself, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Ms. FALLIN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

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Whereas, on July 7, 2009, Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, Henry Ford Medical Center in Detroit, Michigan, Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland, and Integris Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, successfully completed a 16-patient kidney transplant;

Whereas during the procedure, 8 donors donated kidneys to 8 recipients in the 4 different hospitals over a 3-week period through a Paired Kidney Exchange;

- Whereas Paired Kidney Exchange matches potential kidney recipients with willing donors but incompatible blood and tissue with similar donor/recipient pairs;
- Whereas the completion of this procedure marked the largest chain of donations in history;
- Whereas the Paired Kidney Exchange program will stand as a blueprint for a national match system in which kidneys will be transported to different transplant centers across the country; and
- Whereas such a system will allow for an estimated 1,500 more transplants a year: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives con-
 - 2 gratulates and honors Barnes Jewish Hospital, Henry
 - 3 Ford Medical Center, Johns Hopkins Hospital, and
 - 4 Integris Baptist Hospital for the completion of a success-
 - 5 ful 16-person kidney transplant.

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