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Supporting a bold and sustained expansion of Federal investments in
affordable rental homes.

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Ms. LEE (for herself, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. SOTO, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. KIHUEN, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. BEYER, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, and Ms. NORTON) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting a bold and sustained expansion of Federal
investments in affordable rental homes.

Whereas evidence-based research has shown that families with safe, decent, accessible, and affordable homes of their choice are better able to find employment, achieve economic mobility, perform better in school, and maintain improved health;

Whereas providing housing assistance is one of the most effective ways to help families, children, and youth escape poverty and domestic violence;

Whereas a wide body of research indicates that a child's neighborhood and home life have a significant impact on the child's performance in school;

Whereas children of families that cannot afford a place to call home are more likely to be in fair or poor health;

Whereas investing in affordable housing infrastructure has numerous benefits for the economy, including creating jobs, boosting families' incomes, promoting healthy families, and encouraging further development;

Whereas additional resources are needed to fully address the need for affordable rental homes;

Whereas far too many families living in urban, suburban, and rural communities in the United States are struggling to keep a roof over their heads;

Whereas three out of every four families in need of housing benefits are turned away due to chronic underfunding;

Whereas without robust Federal investments, many more families would be homeless, living in substandard or overcrowded conditions, or struggling to meet other basic needs because too much of their limited income would be used to pay rent; and

Whereas the President's fiscal year 2019 budget request threatens affordable housing benefits for millions of low-income families: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the Congress—

3 (1) affirms that all people deserve access to
4 basic living standards, including a place to call
5 home;

1 (2) affirms that when our Nation invests in af-
2 fordable and accessible homes, we invest in people,
3 in communities, and in America as a whole;

4 (3) affirms that no one should be forced to give
5 up food and basic healthcare to keep a roof over
6 their heads; and

7 (4) supports a bold and sustained expansion of
8 Federal investments in affordable and accessible
9 rental homes to help more low-income families who
10 struggle to make ends meet.

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