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H. RES. 64

Supporting the goals and ideals of a Juan Pablo Duarte Day.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of a Juan Pablo Duarte
Day.

Whereas the people of the Dominican Republic acquired au-
tonomy and sovereignty on the 27th day of February
1844;

Whereas the island of Quisqueya, the indigenous name for
what later became the island of Hispaniola, was the cra-
dle of thinking and achievement in the Western Hemi-
sphere, establishing the first university and cathedral of
the New World;

Whereas on the 26th day of January 1813, Juan Pablo
Duarte, the founding father of the Dominican Republic,
was born;

Whereas, during the month of January 2019, Dominican
Americans and citizens of the Dominican Republic will

celebrate the 206th anniversary of the birth of Juan Pablo Duarte;

Whereas Juan Pablo Duarte, along with Francisco Del Rosario Sanchez and Ramon Matias Melia, formed La Trinitaria, a secret organization that initiated the movement for the independence of the Dominican Republic; and

Whereas, during the month of February 2019, Dominican Americans and citizens of the Dominican Republic will celebrate the independence of the Dominican Republic: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the goals and ideals of the Juan
3 Pablo Duarte Day of the Dominican Republic;

4 (2) supports the establishment of a national day
5 of recognition for Juan Pablo Duarte in the United
6 States to honor the founding father of the Domini-
7 can Republic; and

8 (3) urges the people of the United States to ob-
9 serve a national day of recognition for Dominican
10 Americans with appropriate ceremonies, programs,
11 and activities.

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