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H. J. RES. 115

Terminating the emergency determined by the President on August 11, 2025, in the Executive Order titled “Declaring a crime emergency in the District of Columbia”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 15, 2025

Mr. RASKIN (for himself, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. GARCIA of California) submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

JOINT RESOLUTION

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Whereas the President has failed to identify special conditions of an emergency nature that compel the use of the Metropolitan Police Department for Federal purposes in the District of Columbia;

Whereas, even if properly invoked for an actual emergency, section 740 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act does not empower the President to federalize the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), but rather limits the President to directing the Mayor to provide him with the use of MPD’s services to carry out specific Federal purposes;

Whereas violent crime in the District of Columbia has declined for the past two years and currently stands at a 30-year low; and

Whereas the Federal Government, in 2025, has prevented the District of Columbia from spending \$1 billion of its own locally-raised revenues—money that was budgeted for essential public safety purposes, including law enforcement, fire and emergency response services, and schools: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
 2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
 3 That pursuant to section 740(b) of the District of Colum-
 4 bia Home Rule Act (sec. 1–207.40(b), D.C. Official Code),
 5 the emergency determined by the President on August 11,
 6 2025, in the Executive Order titled “Declaring a crime
 7 emergency in the District of Columbia” is hereby termi-
 8 nated.

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