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116TH CONGRESS
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Recognizing the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, commending a month of fasting and spiritual renewal, and extending best wishes to Muslims in the United States and across the globe for a joyous and meaningful observance of Eid al-Fitr.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. DINGELL submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, commending a month of fasting and spiritual renewal, and extending best wishes to Muslims in the United States and across the globe for a joyous and meaningful observance of Eid al-Fitr.

Whereas Ramadan is the holy month of fasting and spiritual renewal for Muslims worldwide;

Whereas this month of sacrifice and contemplation began on the evening of Sunday, May 5, 2019, based on the visual sightings of the crescent moon;

Whereas Muslims in the United States and around the world observe Ramadan by fasting, emphasizing self-discipline, worship, charity, and reading the Holy Quran to improve patience, humility, and spirituality;

Whereas Ramadan continued until the evening of Tuesday, June 4, 2019, with the celebration of Eid al-Fitr;

Whereas Eid al-Fitr begins each year with the sighting of the new moon, signifying a month long end to fasting and reflection for all Muslim followers;

Whereas it is estimated that there are approximately 1,800,000,000 Muslims worldwide;

Whereas over 4,500 Muslims serve on active duty and over 2,300 Muslims serve as selected reserve personnel in the United States Armed Forces;

Whereas the Muslim population has been growing in the United States and today's American Muslim population is a tapestry of ethnic, racial, linguistic, social, and economic groups;

Whereas American Muslims have contributed to every part of society to make advancements in medicine, science, engineering, economics, sports, education, and the law; and

Whereas the observance of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan has concluded with Eid al-Fitr, a three-day celebration: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That —

2 (1) to demonstrate solidarity with and support
3 for members of the community of Islam in the
4 United States and throughout the world, the House

1 of Representatives recognizes the importance of the
2 Islamic faith; and
3 (2) in observance of and out of respect for
4 Ramadan tradition, the Muslim holy month of fast-
5 ing and spiritual renewal, the House of Representa-
6 tives offers its best wishes to all Muslims celebrating
7 Eid al-Fitr, the conclusion of Ramadan, while also
8 expressing its deepest respect to Muslims in the
9 United States and worldwide on this important occa-
10 sion.