

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 120

To authorize the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a congressional ceremony honoring Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 24, 1997

Mr. LEACH (for himself and Mr. GONZALEZ) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Oversight

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew is the spiritual leader of nearly 300 million Orthodox Christians around the world and millions of Orthodox Christians in America;

Whereas Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew is recognized in the United States and abroad as a leader in the quest for world peace, respect for the earth's environment, and greater religious understanding;

Whereas the extraordinary efforts of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew continue to bring people of all faiths closer together in America and around the world;

Whereas the courageous leadership of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew for peace in the Balkans, Eastern Europe, the Middle East, the Eastern Mediterranean, and elsewhere inspires and encourages people of all faiths toward his dream of world peace in the new millennium; and

Whereas the outstanding accomplishments of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew have been formally recognized and honored by numerous governmental, academic, and other institutions around the world: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That the rotunda of the Capitol is authorized
 3 to be used on October 21, 1997, for a congressional cere-
 4 mony honoring Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. Phys-
 5 ical preparations for the ceremony shall be carried out in
 6 accordance with such conditions as the Architect of the
 7 Capitol may prescribe.

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