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H. CON. RES. 271

Welcoming His Holiness Karekin I, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, upon his visit to the United States, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Diocese of the Armenian Church in America, and acknowledging the substantial contributions of Armenian-Americans to society and culture in the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 5, 1998

Mr. PALLONE (for himself and Mr. PORTER) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas many Armenians have immigrated to, or sought and received refuge in, the United States to pursue the American dream;

Whereas Armenian-Americans have made important cultural, political, economic, judicial, and social contributions to the United States for more than 100 years;

Whereas the Armenian nation was the first nation to embrace Christianity;

Whereas the Diocese of the Armenian Church in America will celebrate its centennial during 1998;

Whereas more than 100 communities throughout the United States will celebrate the centennial with special worship and ecumenical services;

Whereas in celebration of the centennial, His Holiness Karekin I, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, will visit the United States; and

Whereas the centennial is an appropriate occasion to celebrate the ideals and values shared among the United States, the Armenian nation, and the Diocese of the Armenian Church in America: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) congratulates the Diocese of the Armenian
4 Church in America on the occasion of its 100th an-
5 niversary in the United States;

6 (2) welcomes His Holiness Karekin I, Supreme
7 Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, upon his
8 visit to the United States;

9 (3) joins with the Armenian nation, the Diocese
10 of the Armenian Church in America, and His Holi-
11 ness Karekin I in celebrating the ideals and values
12 they share with the people of the United States; and

13 (4) commends Armenian-Americans for their
14 substantial contributions to society and culture in

- 1 the United States and for demonstrating the success
- 2 of the American dream.

