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H. CON. RES. 175

Expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued in honor of the late George Thomas "Mickey" Leland.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

August 5, 1999

Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas (for herself, Mrs. Emerson, Mrs. Roukema, Mr. Hall of Ohio, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Watt of North Carolina, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. Lee, Mr. Lampson, Mr. Hall of Texas, Mr. Sandlin, Mr. Bentsen, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Turner, Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Moran of Virginia, Mr. Abercrombie, Mr. Engel, Mrs. Morella, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Meek of Florida, Ms. Slaugh-TER, Mr. FROST, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. WATERS, Ms. EDDIE BER-NICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Ms. DELAURO, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. ROTH-MAN, Ms. Pelosi, Mr. Hilliard, Mr. Clyburn, Mr. Clay, Mr. Hyde, Mr. Wynn, Mr. Serrano, Mrs. Jones of Ohio, Ms. McKinney, Mr. Nadler, Ms. Brown of Florida, Mr. Moakley, Mr. Neal of Massachusetts, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Stark, Mr. Towns, Mr. Jefferson, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Mink of Hawaii, Mr. Mee-HAN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Ms. CARSON, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Lafalce, Mr. Scott, Mr. Spratt, Mr. Becerra, Mr. Bonior, Mr. Olver, Mr. Barrett of Wisconsin, Mr. Stenholm, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Levin, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, Mr. Rush, Mr. Traficant, Mr. Deutsch, Mr. Callahan, Mrs. Johnson of Connecticut, Ms. Schakowsky, Mrs. Lowey, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Horn, Ms. Woolsey, Mr. Meeks of New York, Mr. King, Ms. Hooley of Oregon, Mr. Hinojosa, Mr. Dingell, Mr. Ose, Mr. Pas-TOR, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. WEINER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SABO, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, and Mr. Cummings) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- Expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued in honor of the late George Thomas "Mickey" Leland.
- Whereas George Thomas Leland (affectionately known as "Mickey"), in the course of his 6 terms as a member of the House of Representatives from the State of Texas, emerged as a national spokesman regarding the problem of hunger in the United States and throughout the world;
- Whereas Mickey Leland was instrumental in establishing the Select Committee on Hunger and served as chairman of that committee until the time of his death;
- Whereas, in the capacity of chairman of the Select Committee on Hunger, Mickey Leland helped generate public awareness of the complex issues relating to the alleviation of hunger and demonstrated strong personal moral leadership;
- Whereas it was his leadership that guided the Hunger Prevention Act of 1988, which required the Secretary of Agriculture not only to distribute surplus food, but also to purchase additional food for future distributions to needy households;
- Whereas Mickey Leland brought together entertainment personalities, religious leaders, and private volunteer agencies to generate public support for the African Famine Relief and Recovery Act of 1985, which provided \$800,000,000 in food and humanitarian relief supplies;
- Whereas the various initiatives brought forth by Mickey Leland to eradicate world hunger undoubtedly saved thousands of lives;

- Whereas 1999 marks the 10th anniversary of Mickey Leland's death;
- Whereas Mickey Leland died as he lived: on a mission to make a positive difference in this world; and
- Whereas commemorative postage stamps have been commissioned to honor other great leaders in American history: Now, therefore, be it
- 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
- 2 concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that—
- 3 (1) a commemorative postage stamp should be
- 4 issued in honor of George Thomas "Mickey" Leland;
- 5 and
- 6 (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee of
- 7 the United States Postal Service should recommend
- 8 to the Postmaster General that such a stamp be
- 9 issued.

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