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# H. CON. RES. 195

Supporting the transition to democracy in Indonesia.

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Mr. GILMAN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred  
to the Committee on International Relations

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the transition to democracy in Indonesia.

Whereas the Republic of Indonesia is the world's fourth most populous country, has the world's largest Muslim population, and is the second largest country in East Asia;

Whereas a stable and democratic Indonesia is important to regional and American interests;

Whereas on June 7, 1999, elections were held for the Indonesian People's Representative Assembly (DPR), which, despite some irregularities, were deemed to be free, fair, and transparent according to international and domestic observers;

Whereas over 100 million people—more than 90 percent of Indonesia's registered voters—participated in the election, demonstrating the Indonesian people's interest in democratic processes and principles; and

Whereas Indonesia's People's Consultative Assembly (MPR) convened on October 1, 1999, to organize the new government, ratify the results of the August 30, 1999, popular consultation in East Timor, and select the next President and Vice President of Indonesia: Now, therefore, be it

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

3               (1) congratulates the people of Indonesia on  
 4       carrying out the first free, fair, and transparent na-  
 5       tional elections in 44 years;

6               (2) supports the aspirations of the Indonesian  
 7       people in pursuing democracy;

8               (3) calls upon all Indonesian leaders, political  
 9       party members, military personnel, and the general  
 10      public to respect the outcome of the elections;

11              (4) calls for the transparent selection of the  
 12      next President and Vice President as expeditiously  
 13      as possible under Indonesian law, in order to reduce  
 14      the impact of continued uncertainty about the coun-  
 15      try's political, economic, and social stability and to  
 16      enhance the prospects for the country's economic re-  
 17      covery;

18              (5) calls upon all parties to work together to as-  
 19      sure a smooth transition to a new government; and

- 1 (6) calls for the People's Consultative Assembly
- 2 (MPR) to ratify the results of the popular consulta-
- 3 tion in East Timor as expeditiously as possible.

