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H. RES. 27

Congratulating the people of the Republic of Venezuela on the success of their democratic elections held on December 6, 1998.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GALLEGLY submitted the following resolution; which was International Relations

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the people of the Republic of Venezuela on the success of their democratic elections held on December 6, 1998.

Whereas on December 6, 1998, the people of the Republic of Venezuela held truly democratic multiparty elections to choose their government;

Whereas these elections were deemed by international and domestic observers to be free and fair and a legitimate expression of the will of the people of the Republic of Venezuela;

Whereas in February 1999, Hugo Chavez will be sworn in to the office of President of the Republic of Venezuela and has promised to continue the path of democracy, national reconciliation, and reconstruction; and

Whereas these democratic elections in the Republic of Venezuela and the inauguration of President Hugo Chavez should be honored: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) congratulates the people of the Republic of
3 Venezuela for the successful completion of the demo-
4 cratic multiparty elections held on December 6,
5 1998;

6 (2) congratulates President Hugo Chavez for
7 his election victory and his commitment to a strong
8 democracy, which will help him achieve political and
9 economic change in the Republic of Venezuela;

10 (3) recognizes that all Venezuelans should con-
11 tinue to work together in order to ensure a strong
12 and stable democracy, respect for human rights, a
13 free and market-oriented economy, and social justice
14 and economic prosperity for all people;

15 (4) reaffirms the commitment of the United
16 States to help the Republic of Venezuela move to-
17 ward a stronger democracy, economic growth, and
18 social justice for all; and

19 (5) further reaffirms that the United States is
20 strongly committed to encouraging democracy, eco-
21 nomic growth, and peaceful development throughout
22 the Western Hemisphere.

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