

H. Res. 113

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

April 24, 2001.

Whereas in order to promote non-violence, respect and responsibility, the students of Challenger Middle School in Lake Los Angeles, California, in conjunction with the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles, hold each year an “Increase the Peace Day” program on April 20; and

Whereas as part of the program, students signed the following pledge:

“I will honor the memory of the victims of school violence by committing myself to finding a peaceful solution to my own conflicts with others.

“I will not hit another person for any reason.

“I will not threaten another person, even as a joke.

“I will report all rumors of violence to the nearest adult and to all adults who will listen to me.

“I will smile at students I don’t know when I make eye contact.

“I will talk to my parents about what takes place in school.

“I will remind myself and others that the diversity of the United States is one of our main strengths.

“I will be aware that I have choices in life and that I am responsible for my own actions.

“I will be considerate of other people and their feelings.

“I will not spread rumors.

“I will not call other people names that are hurtful to them.

“I will help make the world a better place one smile at a time.

“I will ask for help when I am confused or lonely.

“I will make others aware of these pledges in order to spread this message of peace.

“I will take the responsibility as a citizen of this great nation to make our country a more peaceful place by doing my own part to Increase the Peace.”: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives urges schools across the United States to participate in similar “Increase the Peace Day” events.

Attest:

Clerk.