

## **H. Res. 254**

### ***In the House of Representatives, U.S.,***

*October 9, 2001.*

Whereas each year, approximately 1,000,000 pregnancies in the United States end in miscarriage, stillbirth, or the death of a newborn baby;

Whereas it is a great tragedy to lose the life of a child;

Whereas babies sometimes live within or outside their mothers' wombs for only a short period of time;

Whereas even the shortest lives are still valuable, and the grief of those who mourn the loss of these lives should not be trivialized;

Whereas more than 35 States have designated October 15, 2001, as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day;

Whereas the observance of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day can give validation to those who have lost a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, or other complications;

Whereas Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day will provide the people of the United States with an opportunity to increase their understanding of the great tragedy involved in the deaths of unborn and newborn babies; and

Whereas Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day will enable the people of the United States to consider how, as individuals and communities, they can meet the needs of bereaved mothers, fathers, and family members and work to prevent the causes of these deaths: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives supports the goals of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

Attest:

*Clerk.*