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Recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Adoption Month.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 19, 2003

Mr. CAMP (for himself, Mr. HERGER, Mr. SHAW, and Mr. BRADY of Texas) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Adoption Month.

- Whereas there are millions of children worldwide awaiting permanent, safe, loving homes;
- Whereas there are presently more than 134,000 children in foster care homes in the United States waiting to be adopted;
- Whereas approximately 120,000 children in the United States are adopted each year;
- Whereas an estimated 1,000,000 children in the United States live with adoptive parents;
- Whereas roughly two to four percent of families in the United States include an adopted child;

- Whereas 6 in 10 Americans have had a personal experience with adoption, meaning they, a family member, or a close friend was adopted, has adopted a child, or has placed a child for adoption;
- Whereas loving and nurturing families are formed every day when committed and dedicated individuals make an important difference in the life of a child through adoption; and
- Whereas on November 7, 2003, the President proclaimed November 2003 as National Adoption Month: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
 - 2 nizes and supports the goals and ideals of National Adop-
 - 3 tion Month.

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