

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 58

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States Postal Service should issue a commemorative postage stamp honoring former Representative Shirley Chisholm, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2005

Ms. LEE (for herself, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COOPER, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HOLDEN, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. SOLIS, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WATSON, Mr. WATT, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEINER, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, and Ms. WOOLSEY) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States Postal Service should issue a commemorative postage stamp honoring former Representative Shirley Chisholm, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should

recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued.

Whereas Shirley Anita St. Hill Chisholm was born on November 30, 1924, in Brooklyn, New York, to Charles and Ruby St. Hill;

Whereas in 1968, Shirley Chisholm made history by becoming the first African American woman elected to the House of Representatives, representing the Twelfth Congressional District of New York until her retirement in 1983;

Whereas Shirley Chisholm was a founding member of the Congressional Black Caucus, a fierce advocate for women's rights and democracy, and a staunch opponent of the Vietnam War;

Whereas Shirley Chisholm was an outspoken advocate for equal rights, early childhood education, fair labor standards, and the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday effort;

Whereas Shirley Chisholm was a cofounder of the New York City Chapter of the National Organization for Women, the organization's first chapter; and

Whereas Shirley Chisholm further cemented her place in history when she became the first African American person to seek a major political party's nomination for President in 1972: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that—*
- 3 (1) a commemorative postage stamp should be
- 4 issued by the United States Postal Service honoring
- 5 former Representative Shirley Chisholm; and

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