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H. RES. 1563

Commending the New York Giants, the New York Jets, the New Meadowlands Stadium Project, and the people of the State of New Jersey for creating one of the most energy-efficient and environmentally sustainable sports complexes in the world.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 2010

Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

Commending the New York Giants, the New York Jets, the New Meadowlands Stadium Project, and the people of the State of New Jersey for creating one of the most energy-efficient and environmentally sustainable sports complexes in the world.

Whereas, on June 11, 2009, the New York Giants and the New York Jets signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Environmental Protection Agency outlining all of the conservation, sustainability, and energy efficiency efforts that went into construction of their new state-of-the-art stadium in the Hackensack Meadowlands;

Whereas this Memorandum of Understanding far exceeded any previous Memorandum of Understanding signed be-

tween the Environmental Protection Agency and a sports franchise;

Whereas the New Meadowlands Stadium Project went to great lengths to ensure the stadium be built with minimum damage to the environment, including recycling 82 percent of the total waste generated during construction operations;

Whereas the New Meadowlands Stadium Project is a redevelopment project located on a brownfield site and will not occupy any undeveloped lands or “green fields”, nor will it have any impact on environmentally sensitive areas or wildlife habitat in the Meadowlands area;

Whereas the new stadium is committed to reducing water demand by an estimated 11,000,000 gallons per year, or a 25 percent reduction in the average annual water demand compared to the existing stadium it is replacing;

Whereas extraordinary effort was made to ensure that more than two-thirds of total construction costs were purchased through local programs, and all 1,200 workers who built the stadium were local;

Whereas the new stadium plan will reduce solid waste production by 25 percent through recycling programs;

Whereas the new stadium is more than twice as large as the existing Giants Stadium in terms of square footage, but expects a 30 percent reduction of energy use on a square footage basis as a result of a wide range of energy-efficiency initiatives;

Whereas the new stadium will promote the use of mass transit for events, reducing the number of cars on the road by between 3,000 and 4,000 on game days by utilizing these alternative transportation options; and

Whereas it is expected that the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Environmental Protection Agency and these sports franchises, as well as the extraordinary efforts made to ensure the stadium has as low an environmental impact as possible will serve as a model for future construction efforts: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives com-
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