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Honoring the bicentennial "call for independence" that led to the establishments of the independent sovereign nations of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, and Venezuela.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## SEPTEMBER 15, 2010

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California (for herself, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. BACA, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. MEEK of Florida) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

## RESOLUTION

- Honoring the bicentennial "call for independence" that led to the establishments of the independent sovereign nations of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, and Venezuela.
- Whereas Argentina struggled to secure "unification, freedom, and independence" from foreign rule;
- Whereas Chile fought persistently to liberate their country with "reason and force" and Chile's war of independence succeeded after its three-part revolutionary history, patria vieja, reconquista, and patria nueva;
- Whereas Colombia battled fervently for "liberty, order and glory" to achieve sovereignty;

- Whereas Mexico organized to create an independent country after el grito de Dolores;
- Whereas Venezuela moved to secure independence for a nation under "god and federation for its brave people";
- Whereas the independence of Brazil, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua is celebrated in the month of September; and
- Whereas there are millions of people in the United States who trace their roots to these Latin America countries: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) acknowledges 1810 as a critical year for the
  3 people of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa
  4 Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico,
  5 Nicaragua, and Venezuela towards their march for
  6 independence as part of Hispanic Heritage Month
  7 commemorations;
- 8 (2) recognizes the numerous contributions that9 these Latin American countries have made; and
- 10 (3) looks forward to closer collaboration and
  11 stronger ties between the people of the Americas in
  12 confronting the many shared challenges in our hemi13 sphere throughout the next 200 years.