111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. RES. 1623

Supporting the goals and ideals of a national day of remembrance for United States nuclear weapons program workers and uranium miners, millers, and haulers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 15, 2010

Ms. Berkley (for herself and Mr. Wamp) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of a national day of remembrance for United States nuclear weapons program workers and uranium miners, millers, and haulers.

Whereas hundreds of thousands of men and women have served the United States in building its nuclear defense since World War II including uranium miners, millers, and haulers;

Whereas these dedicated United States workers paid a high price for their service and have developed disabling or fatal illnesses as a result of exposures to beryllium, ionizing radiation, toxic substances, and other hazards that are unique to the production and testing of nuclear weapons; Whereas these workers were put at individual risk without their knowledge and consent in order to develop a nuclear weapons program;

Whereas in 2009, Congress recognized the contribution, service, and sacrifice of these patriotic men and women;

Whereas a National Day of Remembrance time capsule has been crossing the country the past year collecting the stories of United States nuclear workers and artifacts from the Nation's nuclear defense era; and

Whereas these stories and artifacts reinforce the importance of recognizing these nuclear workers: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the goals and ideals of a national 3 day of remembrance for United States nuclear weap-4 ons program workers and uranium miners, millers, 5 and haulers; and

(2) encourages the people of the United States to support and participate in appropriate ceremonies, programs, and other activities to recognize a national day of remembrance for past and current United States nuclear weapons program workers and uranium miners, millers, and haulers.

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