

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 951

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the symbols and traditions of Christmas should be protected for use by those who celebrate Christmas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 8, 2009

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. CARTER, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. INGLIS, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. JONES, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, and Mr. SOUDER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the symbols and traditions of Christmas should be protected for use by those who celebrate Christmas.

Whereas Christmas is a national holiday celebrated on December 25; and

Whereas the Framers intended that the First Amendment of the Constitution, in prohibiting the establishment of religion, would not prohibit any mention of religion or reference to God in civic dialog: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

- 1 (1) recognizes the importance of the symbols and tra-
- 2 ditions of Christmas;
- 3 (2) strongly disapproves of attempts to ban ref-
- 4 erences to Christmas; and
- 5 (3) expresses support for the use of these symbols
- 6 and traditions by those who celebrate Christmas.

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