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H. RES. 133

Encouraging Americans to recognize March 2, 2011 as "Read Across America Day".

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 1, 2011

Mrs. Davis of California (for herself and Mrs. Biggert) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

Encouraging Americans to recognize March 2, 2011 as "Read Across America Day".

- Whereas reading is a basic requirement for quality education and professional success, and is a source of pleasure throughout life;
- Whereas the people of the United States must be able to read if the United States is to remain competitive in the global economy;
- Whereas Congress has placed great emphasis on reading intervention and providing additional resources for reading assistance, including through the programs authorized in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and programs such as Early Reading First, Im-

proving Literacy through School Libraries, and Striving Readers; and

Whereas more than 50 national organizations concerned about reading and education have joined with the National Education Association (NEA) to use March 2 to celebrate reading and the birth of Theodor Geisel, also known as Dr. Seuss: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

- (1) honors Theodor Geisel, also known as Dr. Seuss, for his success in encouraging children to discover the joy of reading;
- (2) honors the 14th anniversary of Read Across
 America Day;
 - (3) encourages parents to read with their children for at least 30 minutes on Read Across America Day in honor of the commitment of the House of Representatives to building a Nation of readers; and
 - (4) encourages the people of the United States to observe Read Across America Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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