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H. RES. 91

Expressing the support of the House of Representatives for efforts to increase diversity in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and recognizing the Association for Women in Science (AWIS) for its 40 years of service to broadening the participation of underrepresented groups in STEM.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 14, 2011

Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas (for herself, Ms. Bordallo, Ms. Brown of Florida, Ms. Edwards, Ms. Eshoo, Ms. Fudge, Mr. Grijalva, Mr. Honda, Ms. Matsui, Mr. Reyes, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, and Mr. Wu) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

RESOLUTION

Expressing the support of the House of Representatives for efforts to increase diversity in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and recognizing the Association for Women in Science (AWIS) for its 40 years of service to broadening the participation of underrepresented groups in STEM.

Whereas the global competitiveness of the United States in science and technology depends on the capacity of our domestic human capital;

Whereas the majority of jobs in the future will require an academic foundation in science and math;

- Whereas the current and projected domestic human capital is insufficient to meet the demands of a growing workforce in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM);
- Whereas the current underrepresentation of certain demographic groups including women, African-Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans in STEM fields indicates a lack of capitalization on the available talent in America;
- Whereas increased diversity in STEM fields has been shown to maximize innovation and effectiveness; and
- Whereas the Association for Women in Science (AWIS) founded in 1971 has been dedicated to broadening the participation of underrepresented groups in STEM for 40 years: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
 - 2 (1) supports efforts to increase diversity in 3 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
 - 4 (STEM); and
 - 5 (2) recognizes the Association for Women in
 - 6 Science (AWIS) for its 40 years of dedication to
 - 7 broadening the participation of underrepresented
 - 8 groups in STEM.

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