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H. RES. 114

Recognizing the Sabin Vaccine Institute on the 20th anniversary of its founding.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. AL GREEN of Texas (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. OLSON, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. CARTER, Mr. McCAUL, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. POE of Texas, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. BARTON, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. FLORES, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. VELA, Mr. GALLEG0, and Mr. O'ROURKE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Sabin Vaccine Institute on the 20th anniversary of its founding.

Whereas the Sabin Vaccine Institute was founded in honor of the late Dr. Albert B. Sabin, a distinguished scientific figure in the history of medicine and the developer of the oral live-virus polio vaccine, who died on March 3, 1993;

Whereas for the past 20 years, the Sabin Vaccine Institute has demonstrated noteworthy success in its mission to reduce the prevalence of neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) by developing new vaccines, advocating for increased use

of existing vaccines, and expanding access to affordable medicine for the world's poorest people;

Whereas the Sabin Vaccine Institute and Texas Children's Hospital Center for Vaccine Development, operating in partnership with Baylor College of Medicine and many collaborators worldwide, is dedicated to the creation of vaccines to prevent NTDs;

Whereas the Sabin Vaccine Institute raises public visibility and mobilizes the necessary funding in the pursuit of controlling and eliminating the seven most common NTDs, including roundworm, hookworm, whipworm, lymphatic filariae (elephantiasis), schistosomiasis (snail fever), trachoma, and river blindness, which can be treated for approximately 50 cents per person per year with existing medicine;

Whereas the Sabin Vaccine Institute attempts to break the cycle of poverty amongst adults and children by providing life-saving vaccinations that lead to fuller, more productive lives;

Whereas the Sabin Vaccine Institute's mission is to "reduce needless human suffering from vaccine-preventable and neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) by developing new vaccines, advocating for increased use of existing vaccines, and promoting expanded access to affordable medical treatments";

Whereas the Sabin Vaccine Institute understands the importance that healthy infants and adults have on family stabilization and productive societies; and

Whereas the Sabin Vaccine Institute continues its work throughout impoverished countries of the world to improve the future lives of nearly 2,000,000,000 people still

plagued by NTDs and vaccine-preventable diseases: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) applauds the Sabin Vaccine Institute on 20
3 years of success;

4 (2) supports the Sabin Vaccine Institute, Texas
5 Children’s Hospital, and Baylor College of Medicine
6 in their efforts to reduce the prevalence of neglected
7 tropical diseases (NTDs) by developing new vac-
8 cines, advocating for increased use of existing vac-
9 cines, and expanding access to affordable medicine
10 for the world’s poorest people; and

11 (3) encourages the leadership and staff of the
12 Sabin Vaccine Institute, Texas Children’s Hospital,
13 and Baylor College of Medicine to continue their
14 commendable work on behalf of those who still suf-
15 fer from NTDs and vaccine-preventable diseases.

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