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To express the sense of Congress that the first launch of the Space Launch System should be named for Captain Eugene Andrew “Gene” Cernan.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 15, 2017

Mr. ADERHOLT (for himself, Mr. CULBERSON, and Mr. SMITH of Texas) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sense of Congress that the first launch of the Space Launch System should be named for Captain Eugene Andrew “Gene” Cernan.

Whereas the last United States astronaut to walk on the Moon was Captain Eugene Andrew “Gene” Cernan, in December 1972;

Whereas it was Captain Cernan’s strong desire that the United States return to the Moon as part of NASA’s Exploration program;

Whereas human missions to the Moon will provide invaluable contributions to knowing how humans can work in space, including science experiments and commercial enterprises; and

Whereas NASA's Space Launch System (SLS), with an initial lift capacity of 70 metric tons, will be the largest and most powerful rocket since the Saturn V: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that the
3 Space Launch System (SLS) should be named the Cernan
4 1, in recognition of the achievements of Captain Eugene
5 Andrew "Gene" Cernan and his fellow astronauts and all
6 who participated in developing and supporting the Apollo
7 program.

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