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To prohibit the use of Federal funds to refer to the head of state of the People's Republic of China as "President" on United States Government documents and communications, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 7, 2020

Mr. PERRY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Name the Enemy Act".

5 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

6 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) The leadership of the People’s Republic of
2 China has gone unchallenged in its perverse pursuits
3 of human rights abuses across decades, including—

4 (A) murdering untold numbers of pro-De-
5 mocracy protestors at Tiananmen Square in
6 1988;

7 (B) harvesting the organs of up to thou-
8 sands of Chinese citizens every year, especially
9 targeting Falun Gong practitioners;

10 (C) imprisoning between 800,000 and
11 2,000,000 Uighers and ethnic Kazaks in “re-
12 education” camps since April 2017;

13 (D) condoning and facilitating the practice
14 of forced abortions, sterilization procedures,
15 and other forms of sexual abuse on women im-
16 prisoned in these camps;

17 (E) arresting and silencing whistleblowers
18 following the outbreak of the SARS-CoV-2
19 virus; and

20 (F) using the People’s Armed Forces Mari-
21 time Militia (PAFMM) and other paramilitary
22 forces to constantly infringe upon the sov-
23 ereignty of surrounding countries, including in
24 April 2020, when a Chinese maritime surveil-

1 lance vessel sank a Vietnamese fishing boat off
2 the Paracel Islands.

3 (2) Such blatant disregard for basic human de-
4 cency run contrary to the well-functioning of an
5 open and civilized society.

6 (3) Ultimate responsibility for these outrages
7 must lie with the head of state of the People's Re-
8 public of China.

9 (4) The title of "President" has often been uti-
10 lized to describe the office of the head of state of the
11 People's Republic of China, in both the United
12 States Government and private publications.

13 (5) Addressing the head of state of the People's
14 Republic of China as a "President" grants the incor-
15 rect assumption that the people of the state, via
16 democratic means, have readily legitimized the lead-
17 er who rules them.

18 (6) The head of state of the People's Republic
19 of China derives all power and authority from the
20 Chinese Communist Party, and is accountable only
21 to them.

22 (7) The House of Representatives has based the
23 proposed action described in this resolution on the
24 recommendations provided by the 2019 report of the

1 U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commis-
2 sion.

3 **SEC. 3. UNITED STATES POLICY.**

4 It is the policy of the United States to—

5 (1) condemn in the strongest possible terms the
6 horrific human rights abuses being perpetuated and
7 enabled by the leadership of the Chinese Communist
8 Party;

9 (2) urge all countries to do the same;

10 (3) recognize the deep friendship between the
11 United States and the citizens of the People's Re-
12 public of China—the first victims of their govern-
13 ment's cruelty; and

14 (4) honor the memory of all those who have
15 died as a result of the callous rule of the Chinese
16 Communist Party.

17 **SEC. 4. PROHIBITION ON USING FEDERAL FUNDS TO**
18 **REFER TO THE HEAD OF STATE OF THE PEO-**
19 **PLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AS "PRESIDENT"**
20 **ON UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DOCU-**
21 **MENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.**

22 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Fed-
23 eral Government may not obligate or expend any funds
24 for the creation and dissemination of United States Gov-
25 ernment documents and communications that refer to the

1 head of state of the People's Republic of China as any-
2 thing other than "General Secretary of the Central Com-
3 mittee of the Chinese Communist Party", or alternatively,
4 as "General Secretary".

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