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H. RES. 1056

Supporting the designation of a National Day of Civility.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CRIST (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GRIFFITH, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. SOTO, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. PHILLIPS, and Mrs. DINGELL) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

RESOLUTION

Supporting the designation of a National Day of Civility.

Whereas civility involves being nice or polite to others and treating others with respect;

Whereas civil discourse and dialogue are hallmarks of the American political and social systems, and these hallmarks have been jeopardized in recent years by growing division in and coarsening of our political culture;

Whereas 9 out of 10 Americans agree incivility leads to intimidation, threats, harassment, discrimination, violence, and cyberbullying;

Whereas a majority of Americans believe incivility in our politics encourages general incivility in society and deters citizens from engaging in public service;

Whereas racial and religious minorities, the homeless, people with disabilities, the poor, and law enforcement officers report having experienced the most incivility;

Whereas civility training in schools, a national campaign to promote civility, a conscious public effort to practice civility, and a National Day of Civility may combat the threats posed by increasing incivility and distrust in our institutions; and

Whereas July 12th would be an appropriate day to designate as a National Day of Civility: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) supports the designation of a National Day
- 3 of Civility;
- 4 (2) encourages a national campaign to promote
- 5 civility in our schools, at work, and in our public
- 6 spaces; and
- 7 (3) calls on all Americans to practice civility.

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