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117TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

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Supporting the goals and ideals of International Transgender Day of  
Visibility.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. WEXTON submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was  
referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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# CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of International Transgender  
Day of Visibility.

Whereas the International Transgender Day of Visibility was  
begun in 2009 to honor the achievements and contribu-  
tions of the transgender community;

Whereas the International Transgender Day of Visibility is  
designed to be encompassing of a large community of  
people, including people who identify as nonbinary, gen-  
der nonconforming, and gender-diverse;

Whereas International Transgender Day of Visibility is a  
time to celebrate transgender, nonbinary, gender noncon-  
forming, and gender-diverse people around the world, and

to recognize the bravery it takes to live openly and authentically;

Whereas International Transgender Day of Visibility is also a time to raise awareness of the discrimination and violence that the transgender community still faces, which make it difficult and even unsafe and fatal for many transgender people to be visible;

Whereas the transgender community has suffered disproportionately in many ways, including by workplace and educational discrimination and being subject to violence, and these forms of oppression are exacerbated for transgender people of color, people with limited resources, immigrants, people living with disabilities, and transgender youth;

Whereas a record number of antitransgender State bills have been introduced in recent years;

Whereas the transgender community has made it clear that they will not be erased and must be accorded all of the rights and opportunities made available to all;

Whereas transgender, nonbinary, gender nonconforming, and gender-diverse people continue to bravely tell their stories and push for full equity under the law;

Whereas the civil rights struggle has been strengthened and inspired by the leadership of the transgender community;

Whereas 23 States have at least 1 transgender elected official, and there are 12 transgender, gender nonconforming, and nonbinary elected officials in State legislatures, including Danica Roem, Gerri Cannon, Cesar Chavez, Brianna Titone, Lisa Bunker, Joshua Query, Sarah McBride, Stephanie Byers, Taylor Small, Mauree Turner, Stacie Loughton, and Mike Simmons;

Whereas voters in the State of Delaware elected Sarah McBride as the Nation’s first openly transgender State senator;

Whereas voters in the State of Oklahoma elected Mauree Turner as the Nation’s first openly nonbinary State legislator;

Whereas in the State of Illinois, Mike Simmons became the Nation’s first openly nonbinary or gender nonconforming State senator;

Whereas 4 States have a transgender jurist on the bench, including Judge Phyllis Frye of Texas, Judge Victoria Kolakowski of California, Commissioner Tracy Nadzieja of Arizona, and Judge Jill Rose Quinn of Illinois;

Whereas Admiral Rachel L. Levine, M.D., was the first openly transgender Federal official confirmed by the United States Senate and is the highest ranking openly transgender Federal Government official in United States history;

Whereas Stella Keating became the first transgender teen to testify before the United States Senate;

Whereas the first openly transgender person was elected student government president at a major university;

Whereas 31 openly transgender athletes have competed at the college level, including Schuyler Bailar, the first openly transgender athlete to compete at the NCAA Division I level, and Lia Thomas, the first openly transgender athlete to win an NCAA Division I national championship;

Whereas Amy Schneider became the first transgender woman to qualify for the Tournament of Champions on “Jeopardy!”, and is also the highest winning woman to win 40 games consecutively;

Whereas more transgender people are gracing the covers of magazines to raise awareness of their gender identity and the importance of living authentically;

Whereas transgender people have created culture and history as artists, musicians, healers, workers, and organizers; and

Whereas International Transgender Day of Visibility is a time to celebrate the transgender community around the world: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2 *concurring), That Congress—*

3            (1) supports the goals and ideals of the Inter-  
4            national Transgender Day of Visibility;

5            (2) encourages the people of the United States  
6            to observe the International Transgender Day of  
7            Visibility with appropriate ceremonies, programs,  
8            and activities;

9            (3) celebrates the accomplishments and leader-  
10           ship of transgender, nonbinary, gender noncon-  
11           forming, and gender-diverse people; and

12           (4) recognizes the bravery of the transgender  
13           community as it fights for equal dignity and respect.