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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the symbols and traditions of Christmas should be protected.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia (for herself, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. GOODE, and Mr. JONES of North Carolina) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the symbols and traditions of Christmas should be protected.

- Whereas Christmas is a national holiday celebrated on December 25; and
- Whereas the Framers intended that the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States would prohibit the establishment of religion, not prohibit any mention of religion or reference to God in civic dialog: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) recognizes the importance of the symbols
 3 and traditions of Christmas;

(2) strongly disapproves of attempts to ban ref erences to Christmas; and
 (3) expresses support for the use of these sym bols and traditions.