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# H. RES. 263

Expressing support for the designation of May 4, 2017, as a “National Day of Reason” and recognizing the importance of reason in the betterment of humanity.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 6, 2017

Mr. TED LIEU of California (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RASKIN, and Ms. LOFGREN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the designation of May 4, 2017, as a “National Day of Reason” and recognizing the importance of reason in the betterment of humanity.

Whereas the application of reason has proven to offer hope for human survival upon Earth, improving conditions within the universe, and cultivating intelligent, moral, and ethical interactions among people and their environments;

Whereas those who wrote the Constitution of the United States, the basic document for governing the affairs of humankind within the United States, based it upon principles delineated within the philosophies distinguishing the historical Age of Reason;

Whereas most citizens of the United States purport to value reason and its application;

Whereas it is the duty and responsibility of every citizen to promote the development and application of reason; and

Whereas May 4, 2017, would be an appropriate date to designate as a “National Day of Reason”: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) supports the designation of “National Day  
3       of Reason”; and

4               (2) encourages all citizens, residents, and visi-  
5       tors to join in observing this day and focusing upon  
6       the employment of reason, critical thought, the sci-  
7       entific method, and free inquiry to the resolution of  
8       human problems and for the welfare of humankind.

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