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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that an "all-of-the-above" energy strategy is the most viable approach to energy policy.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Newhouse (for himself, Mr. Amodei, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Obernolte, Mrs. Fischbach, Mr. Lamalfa, Mrs. Lesko, Mr. Valadao, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Zinke, Mr. Bucshon, Mr. Moylan, Mr. Jackson of Texas, Mr. Fallon, Ms. Hageman, Mr. Moore of Alabama, Mr. Owens, Mr. Stauber, Mr. LaTurner, Mr. Smith of Nebraska, Mr. Mann, Mrs. Miller-Meeks, Mr. Ellzey, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lamborn, Mr. Carter of Georgia, Mr. Issa, Mr. Estes, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Nehls, and Mrs. Radewagen) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that an "all-of-the-above" energy strategy is the most viable approach to energy policy.

Whereas global energy consumption is predicted to increase by 50 percent by 2050, with petroleum and other liquid fuels remaining the largest energy source;

Whereas oil and gas revenues from production on Federal land for fiscal year 2022 totaled \$7,600,000,000 for onshore and \$6,300,000,000 for the offshore Gulf of Mexico;

- Whereas oil and gas revenues provide billions of dollars annually to States for critical infrastructure, public safety, local schools, hospitals, and other essential services;
- Whereas the United States produces some of the cleanest barrels of oil in the world, especially oil produced in the Gulf of Mexico, which has the carbon intensity of onehalf that of other producing regions;
- Whereas, since 2005, two-thirds of the power sector greenhouse gas emissions reductions have been driven by increased natural gas production;
- Whereas the United States has reduced its methane emissions by more than 10 percent due to increased innovation and utilization of natural gas;
- Whereas United States natural gas exports to the European Union reduce the European Union's reliance on Russian energy in a time of war;
- Whereas United States companies provided 50 percent of Europe's liquefied natural gas supplies in 2022, along with 12 percent of its oil;
- Whereas increased domestic usage of natural gas will reduce United States dependence on foreign energy and strengthen national security;
- Whereas United States dependence on mineral imports has doubled over the past 20 years;
- Whereas less than half of the mineral needs of the manufacturing industry of the United States are met by minerals that were domestically mined, and permitting delays result in imports from other countries, primarily geopolitical adversaries;

- Whereas domestically mined minerals are sourced with safe labor conditions in a manner that prioritizes environmental impact;
- Whereas demand for graphite, lithium, and cobalt is estimated to increase by 500 percent by 2050;
- Whereas China is the leader in global production of the minerals market, often utilizing slave labor;
- Whereas nuclear power plants have produced 778,000,000,000 kilowatt hours of electricity in 2021;
- Whereas nuclear energy has generated roughly 20 percent of the electricity used in the United States since 1990;
- Whereas nuclear reactors provide the United States with 78 percent of its carbon-free electricity;
- Whereas nuclear power plants are highly reliable and consistently operate over 92 percent of the time in 30 different States;
- Whereas United States nuclear plants are more than 100 times safer than the safety goals set by nuclear regulators for such nuclear power plants;
- Whereas the infrastructure and facilities of nuclear power plants are durably designed to be a vital baseload energy supplier in periods of extreme weather events;
- Whereas the United States has abundant coal reserves, including a demonstrated reserve base estimated to contain 475,000,000,000 short tons;
- Whereas United States coal resources are used to generate almost 20 percent of the country's electricity at a consumer friendly cost;
- Whereas hydropower is a source of emissions-free, baseload power that accounts for 6 percent of total United States

- electricity generation, enough to power over 24,000,000 homes;
- Whereas hydropower is dependable, flexible, and able to restart the electric system after major outages;
- Whereas communities, both rural and metropolitan, in the Western United States rely on hydropower as a vital energy source;
- Whereas corn-based ethanol and renewable diesel are proven to lower greenhouse gas emissions while providing cost relief for American consumers;
- Whereas renewable sources of energy account for 11 percent of domestic energy consumption; and
- Whereas solar and wind produce zero-emission electricity and are a necessary piece of an "all-of-the-above" energy approach, so long as the panels and turbines are produced in the United States and not sourced from economic adversaries: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
 - 2 resentatives that—
 - 3 (1) an "all-of-the-above" approach to energy is
 - 4 the most viable approach to American energy inde-
 - 5 pendence;
 - 6 (2) energy security is an issue of national secu-
 - 7 rity; and
 - 8 (3) increased domestic energy production will
 - 9 result in lower energy prices for American con-
- 10 sumers.