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# H. RES. 839

Condemning antisemitism at institutions of higher education in the United States and encouraging college and university leaders, administrators, and faculty to speak out against antisemitism.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

Mr. KUSTOFF (for himself, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. KEAN of New Jersey, Ms. VAN DUYN, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. MILLER of Ohio, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. MOLINARO, Mr. ALFORD, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. D'ESPOSITO, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mrs. HINSON, Mr. LAWLER, Ms. MENG, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. HILL, Ms. MANNING, Mr. OWENS, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. EZELL, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. ROSE, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Mr. WILLIAMS of New York, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. BOST, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. GUEST, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. JACKSON of Texas, Mr. MILLS, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Ms. BALINT, Mr. PHILLIPS, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Ms. PORTER, and Mr. BILIRAKIS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## RESOLUTION

Condemning antisemitism at institutions of higher education in the United States and encouraging college and university leaders, administrators, and faculty to speak out against antisemitism.

Whereas, in the aftermath of the terrorist attack on Israel by Hamas on October 7, 2023, there has been a rise in incidents of antisemitism, including hate speech and intimidation, on college campuses and universities in the United States, creating an atmosphere of fear for Jewish students and faculty;

Whereas the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance has developed a widely accepted working definition of antisemitism which can serve as a helpful tool for education administrators and faculty to identify antisemitism;

Whereas acts of hate, discrimination, and violence based on religion or ethnicity have no place at institutions that exist to further education and understanding between diverse student bodies; and

Whereas freedom of speech and expression are foundational principles of institutions of higher education in the United States, but when these principles are used to promote violence, hatred, or discrimination on the basis of religious beliefs, national origin, or ancestry, higher education leaders have the right and an obligation to respond: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) strongly condemns any instances of anti-  
3       semitism occurring at colleges and universities in the  
4       United States;

5               (2) encourages higher education leaders, includ-  
6       ing presidents, deans, and administrators, to pub-  
7       licly condemn speech that incites or celebrates vio-

1 lence against any people based on religious beliefs,  
2 national origin, or ancestry; and

3 (3) encourages institutions of higher education  
4 to engage with Jewish student organizations and en-  
5 sure that Jewish students, faculty, and staff can  
6 pursue their academic and personal aspirations with-  
7 out fear.

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