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H. CON. RES. 122

Concerning the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 15, 1993

Mrs. MALONEY (for herself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MANTON, Mr. GILMAN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. RAVENEL, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. HUGHES, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. FAZIO, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. STUDDS, and Mr. DELLUMS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Concerning the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Whereas negotiations under the auspices of the United Nations are currently being conducted pertaining to the name and to other national symbols of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia;

Whereas all historical and archaeological evidence demonstrates that the ancient Macedonians were Greeks and Macedonia is a Greek name in origin;

Whereas in 1944 the name of the territory of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia was changed from Vardar Banovina to Macedonia as part of the campaign by Yugoslavia's Communist dictator Tito to gain control of the Greek province of Macedonia and the United

States opposed the use of the name Macedonia by Tito at that time;

Whereas Greece was a valuable ally of the United States during World War II and during the cold war;

Whereas Greece continues to be a valuable ally of the United States in the Eastern Mediterranean as demonstrated by its coalition role in the Persian Gulf conflict;

Whereas Greece has no claim on the territory of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and has repeatedly reaffirmed the inviolability of all borders in the area of the two countries; and

Whereas it is in the interest of the United States to oppose any expansionist or irredentist policies in order to promote peace and stability in such area: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that the
3 United States should use its influence as a permanent
4 member of the United Nations Security Council to support
5 the efforts of Greece, in its negotiations with the Former
6 Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, to find a solution which
7 promotes a solid, cooperative relationship between these
8 two neighboring countries.

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