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Congratulating the X PRIZE Foundation's leadership in inspiring a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicles.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California submitted the following resolution;
which was referred to the Committee on Science and Technology

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the X PRIZE Foundation's leadership in inspiring a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicles.

Whereas the United States is heavily dependent on foreign sources of oil that are concentrated in tumultuous countries and regions;

Whereas the National security and economic prosperity of the United States demand that we move toward a sustainable energy future;

Whereas the ability of foreign governments to assert great control over oil production allows unfriendly regimes to use energy exports as leverage against the United States and our allies;

Whereas continued reliance on the use of greenhouse gas intensive fuels may impact global climate change;

Whereas the automotive sector is heavily dependent on oil, which makes Americans vulnerable to oil price fluctuation and is a major source of greenhouse gas emissions;

Whereas average fuel economy in the United States has increased slowly during the last 20 years;

Whereas many promising technologies exist that can lead to a breakthrough vehicle that will meet the need for sustainable transportation;

Whereas breakthroughs are often achieved by the free market fueling the entrepreneurial spirit of inventors and investors;

Whereas the Automotive X PRIZE is a private, independent, technology-neutral competition being developed by the X PRIZE Foundation to inspire a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicles that help break our addiction to oil and stem the effects of climate change; and

Whereas the Automotive X PRIZE will award a multi-million dollar reward to teams that can design, build, and demonstrate production-capable vehicles that achieve 100 MPG or its equivalent: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the United States House of Rep-
2 resentatives—

3 (1) congratulates the X PRIZE Foundation's
4 leadership for inspiring a new generation of viable,
5 super-efficient vehicles that help break our addiction
6 to oil through the Automotive X PRIZE competi-
7 tion;

8 (2) congratulates the X PRIZE Foundation on
9 their innovation and vision to bring together some of

1 the finest minds in government, non-government,
2 university, and industry to advise and participate in
3 the Automotive X PRIZE competition; and

4 (3) applauds the X PRIZE Foundation's ongo-
5 ing commitment to find solutions to some of human-
6 ity's greatest challenges as exemplified in the Auto-
7 motive X PRIZE.

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