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# H. RES. 179

Expressing support for a National Foster Parents Day.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 16, 2007

Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas (for herself, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. COOPER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## RESOLUTION

Expressing support for a National Foster Parents Day.

Whereas the family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem, and support, is the very foundation of our communities, and our United States;

Whereas foster families, who open their homes and hearts to children whose families are in crisis, play a vital role in helping children heal and reconnect and in launching those children into successful adulthood;

Whereas over 500,000 youth are in foster care with at least 380,000 in a family-home setting;

Whereas numerous individuals and public and private organizations work to increase public awareness of the needs of children in foster care and leaving foster care as well as

of the enduring and valuable contributions of foster parents; and

Whereas those families who are able to serve a role as foster parents should be wholeheartedly encouraged to do so: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Representatives that—

3           (1) a National Foster Parents Day should be  
4       established to recognize the contributions of foster  
5       parents across the Nation; and

6           (2) the President should issue a proclamation  
7       calling on the people of the United States and interested  
8       groups to conduct appropriate ceremonies, activities,  
9       and programs to demonstrate support for  
10      foster parents across the Nation.

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