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H. RES. 758

Commending the Water Replenishment District of Southern California for a job well done on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California (for herself, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, and Ms. RICHARDSON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

RESOLUTION

Commending the Water Replenishment District of Southern California for a job well done on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

Whereas the Water Replenishment District of Southern California was created by the voters on November 17, 1959;

Whereas the election was the culmination of a 17-year effort by groundwater producers in the Central and West Coast Basins to devise a system to manage and finance the restoration of dangerously depleted basins, retard and reverse the intrusion of sea water, institute a program of annual replenishment, and to adjudicate and thus protect the rights of groundwater producers;

Whereas for five decades, the Water Replenishment District of Southern California has operated to fulfill its mission, thus assuring the continued beneficial use of the basins for groundwater production;

Whereas programs and projects to fulfill its mission have included the pioneering use of recycled water and the expanded capture and use of storm water for replenishment, multiple groundwater contamination cleanup projects in the Central Basin, desalination of brackish water in the West Coast Basin, and the supply of water to the seawater barrier wells in both basins;

Whereas the programs and projects of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California have resulted in the steady reduction of reliance on the expensive and uncertain supply of imported water and the steady increase in the use of locally-developed supply; and

Whereas the goal of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California is to eliminate the use of imported water for replenishment by 2015 by implementing the programs and projects of the “Water Independence Now” objective: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) commends the Water Replenishment Dis-
3 trict of Southern California for a job well done on
4 the occasion of its 50th anniversary, and

5 (2) recognizes the crucial role the Water Re-
6 plenishment District plays in the daily lives of
7 Southern California residents.

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