

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 26

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States Postal Service should issue a commemorative postage stamp honoring former Representative Shirley Chisholm, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2011

Ms. LEE of California submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that the United States Postal Service should issue a commemorative postage stamp honoring former Representative Shirley Chisholm, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued.

Whereas Shirley Anita St. Hill Chisholm was born on November 30, 1924, in Brooklyn, New York, to Charles and Ruby St. Hill;

Whereas, in 1968, Shirley Chisholm made history by becoming the first African-American woman elected to the House of Representatives, representing the Twelfth Con-

gressional District of New York until her retirement in 1983;

Whereas Shirley Chisholm was a founding member of the Congressional Black Caucus, a fierce advocate for women's rights and democracy, and a staunch opponent of the Vietnam War;

Whereas Shirley Chisholm was an outspoken advocate for equal rights, early childhood education, fair labor standards, and the Martin Luther King, Jr.'s holiday effort;

Whereas Shirley Chisholm was a cofounder of the New York City Chapter of the National Organization for Women, the organization's first chapter; and

Whereas Shirley Chisholm further cemented her place in history when she became the first African-American person to seek a major political party's nomination for President in 1972: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) a commemorative postage stamp should be
4 issued by the United States Postal Service honoring
5 former Representative Shirley Chisholm; and

6 (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
7 should recommend to the Postmaster General that
8 such a stamp be issued.

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