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Supporting the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC) and recognizing 50 years of organized academic veterinary medicine in the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. YOHO (for himself, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mr. COSTA, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. HARPER, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. SCHRA-DER, and Mr. YOUNG of Iowa) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC) and recognizing 50 years of organized academic veterinary medicine in the United States.

Whereas the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC) is an international academic association that represents all of the accredited schools and colleges of veterinary medicine in the United States and many around the world;

Whereas the profession of veterinary medicine plays a critical role in the health and well-being of society, provides human-quality healthcare for more than 180,000,000 beloved family pets in the United States, fosters the abun-

dance and safety of the Nation's food supply by promoting the health and productivity of the Nation's herds and flocks, makes important contributions to the protection of public health through food safety and infectious disease control, and advances human and animal well-being through biomedical research;

Whereas the schools and colleges of veterinary medicine serve as the foundation of the profession, training and preparing future generations of veterinarians for professional service, developing new and improved diagnostic and therapeutic protocols, providing advanced support for veterinarians practicing in communities around the Nation, and conducting hundreds of millions of dollars worth of scientific research every year;

Whereas the AAVMC helps advance the standards of excellence in academic veterinary medicine, and makes critical and lasting contributions to the quality of our schools and colleges of veterinary medicine;

Whereas the AAVMC is observing 50 years of public service in 2016 through a broad-based celebration of academic veterinary medicine, an anniversary year designed to celebrate and highlight the critical role our schools and colleges of veterinary medicine play in the well-being of the agricultural, companion animal and organized veterinary medical communities; and

Whereas because the people and animals of the United States benefit substantially as a result of the presence and the contributions of the AAVMC, this anniversary celebration is a timely reminder of the important contributions made by veterinarians in the promotion of human and animal health and well-being in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That Congress expresses its sincere and en-
3 during gratitude and support for all accredited schools and
4 colleges of veterinary medicine, which have grown and
5 prospered as a result of the work of the Association of
6 American Veterinary Medical Colleges.

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