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90TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. J. RES. 761

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 1, 1967

Mr. MAILLIARD (for himself, Mr. LAIRD, Mr. BROWN of Michigan, Mrs. DWYER, Mr. PETTIS, Mr. KLEPPE, Mr. MESKILL, Mr. BIESTER, Mr. DICKINSON, Mr. ROBISON, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. FINDLEY, Mr. McEWEN, Mr. PRICE of Texas, Mr. CONTE, Mr. DON H. CLAUSEN, and Mr. ESHLEMAN) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency

JOINT RESOLUTION

Neighborhood Action Crusade.

Whereas the overwhelming majority of Negro Americans are dedicated citizens, strongly opposed to disorder and violence; and

Whereas the involvement of these, our fellow citizens, in keeping the peace within their own neighborhoods is essential to the realization of the current crises in our cities; and

Whereas such involvement must be through voluntary citizen participation, organized and directed by local citizens at the community level; and

Whereas the President and the Congress of the United States possess the power of leadership necessary to inspire such locally controlled and directed citizen-involvement: Therefore be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 1. That the Congress urges the President to use the
4 persuasive powers of his office to call upon the communities
5 to initiate a Neighborhood Action Crusade to provide con-
6 tinuing communication and positive direction to defuse the
7 tensions now threatening the lives and property of urban
8 America; and

9 2. That the Neighborhood Action Crusade be composed
10 of local neighborhood leaders, working within their own
11 areas, on a largely voluntary basis in order to rally those
12 stabilizing influences within each local community necessary
13 to assure peace in America's cities; and

14 3. That the Congress urges the President to place at the
15 disposal of such local governments as may request assistance,
16 such funds and equipment permitted by existing statutes and
17 as may be necessary to support this Neighborhood Action
18 Crusade; and

19 4. That it is the sense of the Congress that the Neighbor-
20 hood Action Crusade shall be composed of local programs, de-
21 veloped, organized and directed by local citizens for such
22 periods of time as may be deemed advisable.

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By Mr. MAILLIARD, Mr. LAIRD, Mr. BROWN of Michigan, Mrs. DWYER, Mr. PETTIS, Mr. KLEPPE, Mr. MESKILL, Mr. BIESTER, Mr. DICKINSON, Mr. ROBISON, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. FINDLEY, Mr. McEWEN, Mr. PRICE of Texas, Mr. CONTE, Mr. DON H. CLAUSEN, and Mr. ESHLEMAN

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