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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the legacy of Bob Marley.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. CLARKE of New York (for herself, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mr. PAYNE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the legacy of Bob Marley.

Whereas Robert Nesta Marley was born on February 6, 1945, in Nine Miles, St. Ann, Jamaica, and died on May 11, 1981;

Whereas Bob Marley received the Order of Merit for distinguished achievements for the promotion of culture;

Whereas Bob Marley delineation for Jamaican culture advocates for peace and unity, through the influence of reggae set the foundation for socially aware lyrics;

Whereas Bob Marley is not only celebrated for his timeless music, but for his vibrant legacy promoting love, unity, and social justice;

Whereas Bob Marley and the Wailers were founded in 1963 through the leadership of Marley and two others, Peter Tosh and Bunny Wailer;

Whereas the formation served as the hallmark for reggae music, which is recognized as the voice of the oppressed;

Whereas the harmonious anthem “One Love” is globally recognized, as it echoes the principles of interconnectedness through all things;

Whereas soundtracks like “Redemption Song” and “No Woman, No Cry” serve as profound influences through creative artistry;

Whereas Bob Marley fought to transcend Jamaica as natives and political leaders joined in 1978 at the headlined event One Love Peace Concert, to restore peace throughout the Caribbean island; and

Whereas Bob Marley, the reggae ambassador, served as a tremendous influence in fighting oppression through orchestrated impact: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives hon-
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3 (1) Bob Marley and his remarkably transcends
4 boundaries of international influence which has con-
5 nected listeners through his earnest legacy; and

6 (2) how his art and culture illustrated intellec-
7 tual influence on human experiences.

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