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Establishing the Marxist roots of critical race theory and detail the threat
this divisive ideology poses to the American republic.

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Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. BANKS, Mr. CLYDE, Mrs. BOEBERT, and Mr. MASSIE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

RESOLUTION

Establishing the Marxist roots of critical race theory and
detail the threat this divisive ideology poses to the American republic.

Whereas critical race theory is a newly prominent vein of thought that has arisen in the United States with the purpose of calling into question the founding and moral legitimacy of the United States, both here and throughout the world, and is for many reasons a pressing issue of debate for the American people;

Whereas critical race theory identifies a special kind of property, “whiteness”, created by White people originally

from Europe in order to grant themselves power and privilege while excluding other racial groups from “whiteness” and its putative benefits;

Whereas critical race theory teaches children that they are either oppressors or oppressed based solely on the color of their skin;

Whereas critical race theory accordingly claims to identify a racial stratification of American society and its institutions created by access to and exclusion from “whiteness” as a specialized form of racial property that confers social capital upon those with access to it;

Whereas critical race theory designates as “privileged” those granted access to “whiteness”, contends that this “white privileged” status is maintained by an ideological commitment to what it calls “white supremacy”, by which it means maintenance of this form of racial “property” and the capacity to exclude certain people from it, and thus establishes therein a racial hierarchy within the United States;

Whereas critical race theory frames the alleged racial-class stratification of American society as racial-class antagonism across this line of stratification;

Whereas critical race theory explicitly frames this racial-class antagonism as structural in nature under the terms “structural racism” and “systemic racism”, sees it as structurally determinant upon the character of United States citizens, and defines it in terms of a structural dialectic analogous to Karl Marx’s doctrines of structural classism, material determinism, and dialectical materialism;

Whereas critical race theory claims that “structural racism” is the fundamental organizing principle of United States society and its “ordinary state of affairs”, thus framing the United States as an intrinsically unjust, oppressive, and racist nation, and this being in direct analogy to Karl Marx’s views on the structural nature of capitalism, which was his caricature of the free-market principles that underlie United States society, especially inalienable property rights;

Whereas critical race theory contends that its purpose is to awaken a racial-class consciousness pursuant to, in its own defining words, “calling into question the very foundations of the liberal order, including equality theory, legal reasoning, Enlightenment rationalism, and the neutral principles of constitutional law”;

Whereas critical race theorists consider themselves “highly suspicious of . . . rights” and thus set themselves in opposition to the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the American founding ideals of inalienable rights secured by a government, and the social fabric of the American Republic;

Whereas critical race theory, in its own words, “contains an activist dimension” such that “it not only tries to understand our social situation, but to change it; it sets out not only to ascertain how society organizes itself along racial lines and hierarchies, but to transform it for the better”, and thereby affirms the dialectical conception of the world and man’s role in it put forth by Karl Marx in such a way that its implementation by the government threatens to violate of the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment;

Whereas critical race theory claims that the only solution to this state of affairs is to “abolish whiteness”, explicitly eschewing “incremental and step-by-step progress”, in perfect analogy to Karl Marx’s demand in the “Communist Manifesto” to abolish bourgeois private property, with this being the clearly stated purpose of raising the racial consciousness;

Whereas certain prominent advocates of critical race theory have publicly called for the principles of critical race theory to be insinuated not only into all vital and secondary American institutions and businesses under terms with deceptive specialist definitions, including “diversity”, “equity”, “inclusion”, and “antiracism”, but also into the United States Government with power over all public policy on the local, State, and Federal level, in effect establishing a “dictatorship of the antiracists” analogous to the Marxist vanguard concept of a “dictatorship of the proletariat” and inimical to the American way of life and republican form of government;

Whereas the creators of critical race theory openly describe themselves as Marxists and recognizing that critical race theory is the primary tool of the twentieth century movement called “Critical Marxism”;

Whereas prominent critical race theorists have explicitly declared that the only remedy to past discrimination is present and future discrimination in the reverse direction to the “structural racism” from those with access to “whiteness” to those allegedly excluded from it, in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment and its equal protection clause;

Whereas critical race theory therefore not only calls for illegal racial discrimination and “structurally determined” racial

stereotyping but also leads to the racial scapegoating of “whiteness” and those who allegedly have access to it; and

Whereas the response from critical race theorists to this resolution will be to accuse this resolution, its authors, and its supporters of malicious and racist intent: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) recognizes critical race theory and its de-
3 rivatives as a form of Marxist ideology;

4 (2) recognizes that critical race theory exists in
5 direct opposition to the founding ideals, way of life,
6 and form of Government of the United States; and

7 (3) declares that, as a Marxist ideology, critical
8 race theory poses a significant threat to the United
9 States Republic, its citizens, and the free people of
10 the world rising to the degree of a clear and present
11 danger to the Republic, its citizens, and the States,
12 its allies, and the good and happiness of mankind.

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