

117TH CONGRESS  
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# H. RES. 374

Condemning the Texas Democratic Party for refusing to denounce racism.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2021

Mr. FALLON (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, and Mr. BURGESS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

Condemning the Texas Democratic Party for refusing to  
denounce racism.

Whereas racism is wholly antithetical to the principles of the United States and should not be harbored or defended by any political party, entity, or leader in the United States of America;

Whereas the Texas Democratic Party's platform claims the party believes in "freedom . . . from discrimination based on race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, or any other improper grounds";

Whereas the Chairman for the Lamar County Democratic Party of Texas, Gary O'Connor, posted a defamatory and racist remark against Senator Tim Scott of South Caro-

lina on Facebook, in which he referred to the Senator from South Carolina as an “oreo”;

Whereas the term “oreo” is a well-documented ethnic slur used against people of color;

Whereas after multiple opportunities and repeated calls to censure or ask O’Connor to resign, the Democratic Party of Texas has refused to discipline O’Connor or revoke his chairmanship; and

Whereas the Democratic Party of Texas has refused to condemn or respond to the racist remark despite numerous opportunities and repeated calls to do so: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) condemns racism in any form;

3               (2) condemns the racist remarks made by

4       Lamar County Democratic Chairman Gary O’Con-

5       nor against Senator Tim Scott of South Carolina;

6       and

7               (3) condemns the Texas Democratic Party’s re-

8       fusals to condemn the racist remark made by its

9       Lamar County Chair.

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