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H. RES. 735

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that continuous parental engagement in the schooling decisions impacting their children is to be commended, supported, and encouraged, and that current efforts to exclude parents or even label them as domestic terrorists should be condemned.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 21, 2021

Mr. ISSA (for himself, Mr. CAWTHORN, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. McCLINTOCK, Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. BABIN, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. OWENS, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. PERRY, Mrs. SPARTZ, Mr. BUDD, Mr. BROOKS, Mr. GUEST, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. CLINE, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mrs. STEEL) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that continuous parental engagement in the schooling decisions impacting their children is to be commended, supported, and encouraged, and that current efforts to exclude parents or even label them as domestic terrorists should be condemned.

Whereas parents and active, involved members of our communities have a First Amendment right to express their personal opinions on schooling decisions;

Whereas parents should be empowered to directly communicate with Federal, State, and local education professionals regarding decisions that directly shape and determine their children's education, development, health, and well-being;

Whereas open and cooperative relationships between parents and schools have significant and long-lasting positive effects on the academic and socioemotional development of children;

Whereas parents' concerns over inappropriate or unwanted materials deserves to be expressed and should be fully considered by school professionals;

Whereas parents are joining together to form grassroots organizations and community coalitions to present concerns about numerous school policies and practices;

Whereas parents are now collectively and constructively voicing deeply held and valid concerns about divisive educational decisions with which they strongly disagree; and

Whereas community input that is presented in a lawful and appropriate manner should always be received and not discouraged: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) recognizes and appreciates the efforts of

3 parents to exercise their First Amendment freedoms,

4 as well as their inherent parental rights, to engage

5 in the development and implementation of the school

1 environment, curriculum, health, and well-being
2 practices; and

3 (2) condemns any and all designations from
4 educational professionals or any level of government
5 to label active, involved, and concerned parents as
6 “domestic terrorists”.

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