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H. R. 6838

To provide for asylum or refugee status for certain Canadian nationals subject to harm by reason of the invocation of the Emergencies Act by the Government of Canada.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. Herrell introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Canadian Trucker
- 5 Freedom Act of 2022".
- 6 SEC. 2. CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS DEEMED TO BE REFUGEES.
- For purposes of section 101(a)(42) of the Immigra-
- 8 tion and Nationality Act, a person who demonstrates that
- 9 they are described in section 3 shall be deemed to be a

- 1 refugee, and may be admitted as a refugee under section
- 2 207 of such Act or receive asylum under section 208 of
- 3 such Act (without regard to any determination of credible
- 4 fear under section 235 of such Act). Such deeming shall
- 5 remain effective for a period of 5 years, which may be
- 6 renewed by the Secretary of Homeland Security, if the
- 7 Secretary determines that the person would continue to
- 8 be subject to harm pursuant to the invocation of the
- 9 Emergencies Act (R.S.C., 1985, c. 22 (4th Supp.)) by the
- 10 Government of Canada.

11 SEC. 3. PERSON DESCRIBED.

- 12 A person described in this section is any Canadian
- 13 national—
- 14 (1) who engaged in a nonviolent protest;
- 15 (2) who was harmed financially, physically, or
- in his or her reputation, as a result of that protest,
- by the Government of Canada pursuant to the invo-
- cation of the Emergencies Act (R.S.C., 1985, c. 22
- 19 (4th Supp.)) by that government;
- 20 (3) who presents himself or herself at a port of
- 21 entry to the United States or at any United States
- consulate, and announces an intent to be deemed a
- refugee purusant to this Act;
- 24 (4) who consents to a test for SARS-CoV-2,
- and tests negative for such virus; and

- 1 (5) who did not unlawfully enter the United
- 2 States.

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