## H. RES. 309

Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Animal Welfare Institute.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 16, 2011

Mr. Gallegly (for himself and Mr. Moran) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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

Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Animal Welfare Institute.

Whereas, on July 10, 1951, a group of concerned individuals dedicated to reducing the sum total of pain and fear inflicted on animals established the Animal Welfare Institute (AWI) in New York, New York, under the founding leadership of Christine Stevens;

Whereas the AWI has helped win passage of the most significant animal protection laws in the country by working with Congress to reach bipartisan consensus on animal welfare issues;

- Whereas the AWI has worked to improve animal welfare around the world in a myriad of ways through practical, reasonable, and economically viable measures;
- Whereas the AWI has awarded the Albert Schweitzer Medal for outstanding achievement in the advancement of animal welfare to dozens of noteworthy figures, including Senators Hubert H. Humphrey and Robert J. Dole for their exemplary work in the Senate on behalf of animals;
- Whereas the AWI has published numerous important reference books for laboratory personnel, humane education materials for the general public, and books for children that teach kindness to animals;
- Whereas the AWI's Christine Stevens Wildlife Awards provide grants to spur innovative and creative research on humane, non-lethal, and effective tools and techniques for wildlife conflict management, to the lasting benefit of both humans and animals;
- Whereas the AWI supports and helps maintain the viability of high-welfare family farms through the Animal Welfare Approved certification and labeling program, and provides farmers with grants for the development and implementation of innovative, cost-effective, and humane husbandry techniques;
- Whereas the AWI continues to pioneer efforts to improve the care and treatment of animals used in research, encourage more humane handling of domestic animals used for food, and aid research aimed at reducing conflicts between humans and wildlife; and
- Whereas, July 10, 2011, marks the 60th anniversary of the founding of the AWI: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives recog-
- 2 nizes the Animal Welfare Institute for its contributions to
- 3 the humane treatment of animals worldwide and for its

4 service to the people of the United States.

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