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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47

2 BY ROBERTS

3 A Resolution designating October 15, 2001, as Pregnancy
4 and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

5 WHEREAS, according to a 1996 study by the Centers
6 for Disease Control of the United States Department of
7 Health and Human Services, 16 percent of pregnancies
8 in the United States end in either a miscarriage or a
9 stillbirth, and over 26,000 live births end in infant
10 deaths at 11 months of age or younger; and

11 WHEREAS, the availability of information, support,
12 and coping skills is of the utmost importance to
13 families who are impacted by pregnancy and infant
14 loss; and

15 WHEREAS, a public that is informed and educated
16 about pregnancy and infant loss can better respond
17 with compassion to affected families; and

18 WHEREAS, professionals such as physicians, clergy,
19 emergency personnel, funeral directors, police
20 officers, public health nurses, and employers who come
21 in contact with individuals and families affected by
22 pregnancy and infant loss can better serve those
23 persons if awareness is increased and special training
24 is made available; and

25 WHEREAS, the designation of a Pregnancy and Infant
26 Loss Remembrance Day is appropriate to increase
27 awareness of these unique losses, and to remember
28 those lost, in order to heal and be comforted and have
29 hope for the future; NOW THEREFORE,

30 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

HR 47

1 That the House of Representatives designate October
2 15, 2001, as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance
3 Day.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon adoption, a copy
5 of this Resolution be sent to Robyn Bear of Pain,
6 Heartache, and Hope, Lisa Brown of WeHope (We Help
7 Other Parents Endure), Tammy Novak of Angel Babies
8 Forever Loved, and M. Christina Santos Cruse of
9 Remembering Carley.

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