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# H. RES. 943

Recognizing Robert Bosch Corporation and its 100 years of commitment and leadership in the United States manufacturing industry.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KNOLLENBERG submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## RESOLUTION

Recognizing Robert Bosch Corporation and its 100 years of commitment and leadership in the United States manufacturing industry.

Whereas Robert Bosch Corporation has become synonymous with market leadership in automotive original equipment and aftermarket products, industrial automation systems, power tools and accessories, security technology, packaging equipment, thermo-technology, and household appliances;

Whereas, in 1886, Robert Bosch opened a workshop for precision mechanics and electrical engineering in Stuttgart, Germany;

Whereas, in 1906, Robert Bosch New York, Inc., was founded, and, in 1908, was renamed Bosch Magneto Company;

Whereas during the First World War, the United States Government expropriated Bosch Magneto Company, including its patents and factories, and sold the company to an investment group that renamed the company as American Bosch Magneto Company;

Whereas, in 1921, the Robert Bosch Magneto Company was founded in order to distinguish its products from the products of American Bosch Magneto Company;

Whereas Robert Bosch Magneto Company and American Bosch Magneto Company eventually merged, and after 1938, the organization was known as American Bosch Company;

Whereas during the Second World War, the company was expropriated by the United States Government once again;

Whereas, in 1953, Robert Bosch Corporation was founded in New York;

Whereas, in 1983, the Robert Bosch Corporation won back the trademark rights expropriated during the Second World War and regained the unrestricted right to use the Bosch name worldwide;

Whereas Bosch Group is comprised of a manufacturing, sales, and after-sales service network of approximately 280 subsidiaries, and more than 12,000 service centers, in over 140 countries;

Whereas Robert Bosch Corporation has over 80 primary locations in the United States, and, in 2005, United States sales reached \$7 billion;

Whereas automotive technology is the largest business sector for Robert Bosch Corporation, with more than 14,000 associates and, in 2005, sales of approximately \$5.5 billion;

Whereas Robert Bosch Corporation's automotive technology innovations include market-first products such as antilock brakes, traction and electronic stability control systems, gasoline and diesel fuel-injections systems, and electrical and electronic systems and components;

Whereas Robert Bosch Corporation, Automotive Aftermarket Division, received the 2005 Lincoln Silver Award for Progress Toward Excellence, which recognizes the company's organizational strength and performance based on leadership, strategic planning, customer and market focus, information and analysis, human resources, and process management;

Whereas, in the United States, Robert Bosch Corporation has been issued 5,917 patents and remains a leader in the automotive field; and

Whereas Robert Bosch Corporation and its associates uphold a commitment to local communities through charitable giving and community service: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) recognizes—

3                       (A) Robert Bosch Corporation's 100 years  
4               of commitment and leadership in the United  
5               States manufacturing industry; and

6                       (B) the innovations and technological ad-  
7               vancements achieved by the thousands of Rob-  
8               ert Bosch Corporation associates; and

9               (2) congratulates the Robert Bosch Corporation  
10           on its centennial anniversary in the United States  
11           and trusts the company will continue its excellence

- 1 and position in the community during the 21st cen-
- 2 tury.

