

110TH CONGRESS
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H. RES. 197

Commending Vice President Al Gore on his well-deserved recognition for the Academy Award-winning documentary, “An Inconvenient Truth”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 27, 2007

Mr. ENGEL submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Commending Vice President Al Gore on his well-deserved recognition for the Academy Award-winning documentary, “An Inconvenient Truth”.

Whereas Vice President Al Gore has worked tirelessly for over 30 years to increase awareness of the dangers of global warming;

Whereas Vice President Gore’s climate change work was recently documented in the widely acclaimed film, “An Inconvenient Truth”;

Whereas “An Inconvenient Truth” was recognized as the best documentary film at the 79th Annual Academy Awards;

Whereas according to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), global temperatures are likely to

increase by 2 to 11 degrees Fahrenheit between 1990 and 2100;

Whereas this rise in temperature has resulted in and will continue to result in a rise in sea levels, higher incidence of drought, strengthened hurricanes, and an increase in the number of severe weather events;

Whereas the rise in global temperatures has already had severe impacts in the Arctic, including the thawing of permafrost, the retreating of glaciers, and the thinning of ice sheets;

Whereas the international scientific consensus is that global warming is caused by greenhouse gas emissions due to human activities such as burning fossil fuels;

Whereas there are many actions we can take now to reduce greenhouse gas emissions without harming our economy, including investing in renewable sources of energy and dramatically increasing energy efficiency;

Whereas the film “An Inconvenient Truth” allowed Vice President Gore to reach millions with his message about the dangers of climate change and our ability to avert the worst of these dangers;

Whereas Al Gore was also recently nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize for his work on global warming; and

Whereas the Vice President’s labors have finally helped create the public will to seriously address the climate change crisis: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) congratulates Vice President Al Gore on the
- 3 Academy Award for Best Documentary Film being

1 given to “An Inconvenient Truth” on February 25,
2 2007;

3 (2) commends director Davis Guggenheim and
4 producers Lawrence Bender and Laurie David for
5 having the foresight to turn Vice President Gore’s
6 work on climate change into a documentary that has
7 entertained and informed millions of people around
8 the globe;

9 (3) recognizes the role of Vice President Gore
10 in making climate change one of the major issues of
11 the 110th Congress;

12 (4) expresses hope that the Congress and the
13 President will have the wisdom and the political will
14 to enact meaningful climate change legislation; and

15 (5) directs the Clerk of the House of Represent-
16 atives to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution
17 to Vice President Al Gore.

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