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2D SESSION

H. RES. 710

Congratulating Ichiro Suzuki, outfielder for the Seattle Mariners, for becoming the third fastest player in the history of Major League Baseball to amass 2,500 hits.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 27, 2012

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

RESOLUTION

Congratulating Ichiro Suzuki, outfielder for the Seattle Mariners, for becoming the third fastest player in the history of Major League Baseball to amass 2,500 hits.

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki reached this great milestone on June 19, 2012, against the Arizona Diamondbacks;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki moved to the United States in 2001 to play for the Seattle Mariners, after playing 9 years for the Orix Blue Wave in Japan;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki has 3,770 hits in his professional career when combining his years in both the United States and Japanese professional baseball leagues, trailing only Pete Rose (4,256) and Ty Cobb (4,191) as the most ever in either country;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki's baseball accomplishments include holding the record for most hits in a single season (262), being tied for the most consecutive 200-hit seasons, being a 10-time Major League Baseball All-Star, winning the Rookie of the Year Award (2001), winning the Most Valuable Player Award (2001), winning 10 consecutive Gold Glove awards, and being the third quickest of all time to 2,500 hits; and

Whereas the aforementioned accomplishments speak volumes to Ichiro Suzuki's career and have proven him to be one of the most formidable offensive and defensive baseball players in the United States and Japan over the last 2 decades: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
 2 nizes and congratulates Ichiro Suzuki, outfielder for the
 3 Seattle Mariners, for becoming the third fastest player in
 4 the history of Major League Baseball to amass 2,500 hits.

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