

115TH CONGRESS H. RES. 1123

Recognizing the systematic abductions of Japanese citizens by North Korea.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Garrett submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the systematic abductions of Japanese citizens by North Korea.

- Whereas the United States of America recognizes that North Korea was abducting Japanese citizens since the 1970s;
- Whereas the Universal Declaration of Human Rights upholds the basic principles of liberty and freedom enshrined within the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights;
- Whereas human rights awareness is essential to the realization of fundamental freedoms and contributes to promoting equality, preventing conflict and human rights violations, and enhancing participation in democratic processes;
- Whereas these abductions of Japanese citizens by North Korea directly conflict with the basic principle of liberty and freedom; and

Whereas there have been several attempts at dialogue between North Korea and Japanese leaders in an effort to yield stable results: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) calls on the Government of North Korea to 3 release any abducted foreign nationals, including, 4 but not limited to, those from Japan;
 - (2) urges the Government of North Korea to return the remains and provide information on any deceased abductees;
 - (3) urges the Government of North Korea to make such reparations as are appropriate regarding abductees; and
 - (4) urges the Government of North Korea to apologize and permanently cease such activities.

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