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Reaffirming German-American friendship and cooperation under the
Wunderbar Together—Germany and the U.S. initiative.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KEATING (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania) submitted the
following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Reaffirming German-American friendship and cooperation
under the Wunderbar Together—Germany and the U.S.
initiative.

Whereas Wunderbar Together—Germany and the U.S.
launched on October 3, 2018, with the goal of presenting
today's Germany to Americans across the United States
and showcasing how closely the two countries are linked
by heritage, common values, and shared interests;

Whereas there are more than 50 million Americans of Ger-
man origin living in the United States, many of whom
have provided valuable contributions to the growth and
development of the United States and to the maintenance
of strong ties to Germany and the German people;

Whereas Wunderbar Together—Germany and the U.S. will
bring together more than 250 partners across all 50

States, with over 1,500 events and projects in local communities covering every aspect of German-American relations, including science, the arts, culture, language, business, sports, and more;

Whereas Wunderbar Together—Germany and the U.S. will assist both countries in addressing global challenges through dialogue and cooperation;

Whereas today the United States and Germany are close political allies, partners, and friends working together for a peaceful world order based on the rule of law;

Whereas Germany is an important trading partner of the United States in the European Union, and German companies have created 692,000 American jobs;

Whereas the United States played a leading role in the reconstruction of Germany after World War II through political and financial means, laying the groundwork for the establishment of a peaceful, democratic postwar Germany and paving the way for United States-German bilateral relations based on trust; and

Whereas the United States played a crucial role in the unification after the fall of the Berlin Wall, which took place 30 years ago this November: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) recognizes and highlights the importance of
- 3 the alliance between the United States and Germany
- 4 in—
- 5 (A) an enduring shared commitment to our
- 6 free and democratic societies;

1 (B) expanding and deepening economic
2 prosperity for the United States and Europe;
3 and

4 (C) protecting and defending our security,
5 freedom, and common values;

6 (2) recognizes the strong personal, cultural, and
7 historical ties between our populations and govern-
8 ments, and the importance of our common set of
9 fundamental values as guiding principles for tackling
10 the growing global challenges of the 21st century;

11 (3) reaffirms the significance of Wunderbar To-
12 gether—Germany and the U.S. as an initiative of
13 the Government of Germany to share today’s Ger-
14 many with the American people, to highlight the
15 friendship between the two countries, and to engage
16 with people and communities across the United
17 States on shared issues of interest and concern; and

18 (4) reaffirms the deep and historical friendship
19 between the Government and people of the United
20 States and the Government and people of Germany.

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