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118TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION



Recognizing the celebration of the Hmong New Year in 2023.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. GROTHMAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas the Hmong New Year is traditionally celebrated at the end of the rice harvest season in Laos and Southeast Asia in late November or early December;
- Whereas the Hmong New Year traditionally spans multiple days, with each village starting and ending the New Year on a different date to allow other villages to come, support, and visit each other;
- Whereas the Hmong New Year is traditionally a time to give thanks to ancestral spirits and visit other villages;
- Whereas Hmong New Year celebrations traditionally include song, dance, food, and courtship games for youth, including pov pob, a ball-throwing game;

- Whereas Hmong Americans across the United States celebrate the New Year on weekends from October to December; and
- Whereas Hmong New Year celebrations are a significant cultural tradition in many communities across the United States: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) recognizes the cultural and historical signifi-3 cance of the Hmong New Year;
- 4 (2) expresses the deepest respect for Hmong
 5 Americans celebrating this occasion; and
- 6 (3) wishes Hmong Americans and all individ-7 uals who observe this holiday a happy New Year.