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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Resources

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize "Jpn." as the appropriate abbreviation for the
words "Japan" and "Japanese".

Whereas the term "Jap" is racially derogatory and is offensive;

Whereas the Japanese American community is actively seeking
to eliminate the use of "Jap." as an abbreviation for the
words "Japan" and "Japanese";

Whereas "Jpn." is an easily recognizable and racially inoffen-
sive abbreviation for the words "Japan" and "Japanese"
and can be written "Jpn." or pronounced J-P-N; and

Whereas congressional recognition of "Jpn." as the appropriate
abbreviation for the words "Japan" and "Japanese" would
help to end the use of "Jap." as an abbreviation: Now,
therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the Congress recognizes "Jpn." as the
3 appropriate abbreviation for the words "Japan" and
4 "Japanese".

Passed the House of Representatives July 24, 1986.

Attest:

BENJAMIN J. GUTHRIE,

Clerk.