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#### **HRES 579**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the symbols and traditions of Christmas should be protected for those who celebrate Christmas.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Arts, Culture, Religion

Introduced: Dec 6, 2005

Current Status: The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.

Latest Action: The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection. (Dec 15, 2005)

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#### **Sponsor**

Name: Rep. Davis, Jo Ann [R-VA-1]

Party: Republican • State: VA • Chamber: House

# Cosponsors (26 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bartlett, Roscoe G. [R-MD-6]	$R \cdot MD$		Dec 6, 2005
Rep. Goode, Virgil H., Jr. [R-VA-5]	$R \cdot VA$		Dec 6, 2005
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	$R \cdot NC$		Dec 6, 2005
Rep. Boozman, John [R-AR-3]	$R \cdot AR$		Dec 7, 2005
Rep. Burton, Dan [R-IN-5]	$R \cdot IN$		Dec 7, 2005
Rep. Hostettler, John N. [R-IN-8]	$R \cdot IN$		Dec 7, 2005
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]	$R \cdot GA$		Dec 7, 2005
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	$R \cdot SC$		Dec 7, 2005
Rep. Brown, Henry E., Jr. [R-SC-1]	$R \cdot SC$		Dec 12, 2005
Rep. Myrick, Sue Wilkins [R-NC-9]	$R \cdot NC$		Dec 12, 2005
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	$R \cdot TX$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	$R \cdot OK$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Doolittle, John T. [R-CA-4]	$R \cdot CA$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Emerson, Jo Ann [R-MO-8]	$R \cdot MO$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Forbes, J. Randy [R-VA-4]	$R \cdot VA$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]	$R \cdot VA$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Istook, Ernest J., Jr. [R-OK-5]	$R \cdot OK$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	$R \cdot MI$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	$R \cdot FL$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Pitts, Joseph R. [R-PA-16]	$R \cdot PA$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Ryun, Jim [R-KS-2]	$R \cdot KS$		Dec 13, 2005
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	$R \cdot FL$		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Lewis, Ron [R-KY-2]	$R \cdot KY$		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	$R \cdot PA$		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	$R \cdot NJ$		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	$R \cdot IN$		Dec 14, 2005

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 6, 2005

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

Policy Area:

Arts, Culture, Religion

### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

Recognizes the importance of Christmas symbols and traditions and expresses support for their use for those who celebrate Christmas. Expresses disapproval of attempts to ban references to Christmas.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Dec 15, 2005: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H11799-11800)
- Dec 15, 2005: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 401 22, 5 Present (Roll no. 637).(text: CR 12/14/2005 H11596)
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- Dec 15, 2005: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Dec 15, 2005: The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- Dec 14, 2005: Mr. Porter moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- Dec 14, 2005: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H11596-11600)
- Dec 14, 2005: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 579.
- Dec 14, 2005: At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- Dec 6, 2005: Introduced in House
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- Dec 6, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.