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HRES 747

Recognizing the religious and historical significance of the festival of Diwali.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commemorations **Introduced:** Oct 16, 2007

Current Status: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Latest Action: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. (Oct 29, 2007)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Oct 23, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commemorations

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HRES 245	Related bill	Sep 27, 2008: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
110 SRES 299	Related bill	Nov 14, 2007: Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (text as passed Senate: CR S14417)
110 HRES 745	Related bill	Oct 15, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Summary (as of Oct 16, 2007)

Recognizes Diwali as an important festival.

Acknowledges the international religious and historical importance of the festival of Diwali.

Recognizes and appreciates the religious diversity in both India and the United States and throughout the world.

Acknowledges and supports the new relationship of collaboration and dialogue in international efforts between the United States and India.

Acknowledges the onset of Diwali and expresses the deepest respect of the House of Representatives to Indian Americans and the Indian Diaspora throughout the world on this significant occasion.

Actions Timeline

- Oct 29, 2007: Mr. Tanner moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- Oct 29, 2007: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H12121-12122, H12133-12134)
- Oct 29, 2007: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 747.
- Oct 29, 2007: 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.
- Oct 29, 2007: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 358 0, 8 Present (Roll no. 1012).(text: CR H12121)
- Oct 29, 2007: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 358 0, 8 Present (Roll no. 1012). (text: CR H12121)
- Oct 29, 2007: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Oct 23, 2007: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Oct 23, 2007: Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules, by Unanimous Consent.
- Oct 16, 2007: Introduced in House
- Oct 16, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.