

## HRES 12

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the enhancement of unity in America.

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

**Introduced:** Jan 3, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. (Jan 23, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-resolution/12>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 27, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 23, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jan 3, 2017)

Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States can achieve a more perfect union:

- through avoidance of "government speech" (as the state of Texas did in *Walker III v. Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Inc.*) that promotes or displays symbols, signs, and vestiges of racism, oppression, and intimidation;
- by abating the use of government speech through signs, actions, and words that promote division and tear at the fabric of American society; and
- by taking actions to ensure that government speech does not foster division, disharmony, or intolerance through government-issued or sponsored flags, signs, images, or other symbol.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 23, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Jan 3, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.