HCONRES 31

Expressing the sense of Congress that John Arthur "Jack" Johnson should receive a posthumous pardon for the racially motivated conviction in 1913 that diminished the athletic, cultural, and historic significance of Jack Johnson and unduly tarnished his reputation.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 6, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 SRES 71	Related bill	**Feb 28, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1505)

Summary (as of Feb 28, 2017)

Expresses the sense of Congress that Jack Johnson, the first African-American professional boxer to hold the title of Heavyweight Champion of the World, should receive a posthumous pardon to expunge from the annals of American criminal justice a racially motivated abuse of the federal government's prosecutorial authority and to recognize his athletic and cultural contributions to society.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 6, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Feb 28, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 28, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

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