

HRES 294

Recognizing the historic abolitionist events surrounding the Pearl, and honoring its legacy in American history.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability. (Apr 13, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 13, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 13, 2023)

This resolution honors the legacy of all those who furthered freedom from slavery and were involved in the Pearl incident and recognizes their historical importance. (On April 15, 1848, 77 enslaved people attempted to flee the District of Columbia and Alexandria, Virginia, on the ship the *Pearl*, in what is known as the largest nonviolent attempt to escape from slavery in American history.)

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 13, 2023:** Introduced in House
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