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H. RES. 1272

Celebrating 200 years of United States diplomatic relations with Peru.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GIMENEZ (for himself and Mr. GARCIA of California) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Celebrating 200 years of United States diplomatic relations
with Peru.

Whereas, on July 28, 1821, Peru declared its independence from Spain, led by General José de San Martín, marking the beginning of its sovereign history;

Whereas, on May 2, 1826, the United States became one of the first countries to recognize the independence of Peru, appointing James Cooley as Chargé d’Affaires, marking the beginning of formal diplomatic ties;

Whereas, in 1826, the United States and Peru established full diplomatic relations, inaugurating one of the earliest bilateral partnerships between the United States and a South American republic;

Whereas, in 1851, the United States and Peru signed a Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation, laying the foundation for long-term bilateral trade and cooperation;

Whereas, in 1920, diplomatic relations between the United States and Peru were elevated to embassy-level status, reflecting the growing political and economic importance of the bilateral relationship;

Whereas, throughout the 20th century, Peru and the United States worked together in support of economic development and have stood together in moments of global significance;

Whereas, in 2009, the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement entered into force, expanding bilateral trade, investment, and supply chain integration and strengthening Peru's role as a reliable economic partner of the United States;

Whereas, in 2026, Peru was formally designated by the United States as a Major Non-NATO Ally, a significant milestone in the bilateral relationship that reflects deepened defense and security cooperation and recognizes Peru as a strategic partner in advancing regional stability, democratic governance, and shared security interests;

Whereas the strong people-to-people ties between Peru and the United States are reflected in the vibrant Peruvian American community, which has enriched the cultural, culinary, scientific, and economic life of the United States; and

Whereas, in 2026, the United States and Peru will commemorate 200 years of diplomatic relations, honoring a longstanding and strategic partnership rooted in shared

democratic values, mutual respect, and a commitment to regional peace and prosperity: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) celebrates the 200th anniversary of diplo-
3 matic relations between the United States and Peru;

4 (2) recognizes Peru as a long standing critical
5 partner in advancing stability, democracy, and pros-
6 perity in the Western Hemisphere;

7 (3) commends the contributions of Peruvian
8 Americans to the social, cultural, and economic fab-
9 ric of the United States;

10 (4) reaffirms the commitment of the United
11 States to deepen cooperation with Peru in pursuit of
12 shared goals; and

13 (5) encourages continued partnership to ad-
14 dress shared regional and global challenges, includ-
15 ing the defense of democratic institutions, regional
16 security and stability, and economic prosperity, while
17 also reaffirming the deep cultural, social, and peo-
18 ple-to-people ties that have long strengthened the
19 friendship between the United States and Peru.

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