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Supporting the recognition of November 2025 as “Carbon Monoxide Action and Awareness Month” and promoting nationwide education, prevention, and detection efforts to protect United States families from carbon monoxide poisoning.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 5, 2025

Mr. PATRONIS (for himself and Mr. GOTTHEIMER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

RESOLUTION

Supporting the recognition of November 2025 as “Carbon Monoxide Action and Awareness Month” and promoting nationwide education, prevention, and detection efforts to protect United States families from carbon monoxide poisoning.

Whereas carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, and tasteless gas that can cause serious poisoning incidents resulting in hundreds of deaths, over 100,000 emergency medical care visits, and approximately 14,000 hospitalizations each year;

Whereas more than 400 United States citizens die annually from unintentional carbon monoxide poisoning and as many as 30 to 40 percent of victims die before reaching the hospital;

Whereas an estimated 76 percent of carbon monoxide poisoning cases occur in residential settings, demonstrating that the greatest risk exists in everyday home environments;

Whereas approximately 86,200,000 United States citizens, or 36 percent of adults, have no carbon monoxide detection or alarm system in their homes, leaving millions of families unprotected from a preventable danger;

Whereas environmental exposures in the home, including toxic gases, such as carbon monoxide, are known drivers of chronic disease, particularly among children, the elderly, and immunocompromised populations;

Whereas it is important to use carbon monoxide detectors that have been tested and certified by a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory in order to verify compliance with UL standards;

Whereas certification is critical to help United States citizens recognize that these devices meet the standard safety and performance requirements;

Whereas national health initiatives have identified healthy homes as a critical component of preventive healthcare, calling for improved public awareness, strengthened safety standards, and greater coordination between public agencies and private partners to address indoor environmental risks;

Whereas carbon monoxide poisoning poses a significant risk after hurricanes due to improper use of gasoline powered generators and those poisonings could be prevented by carbon monoxide alarms and by placing gas generators more than 20 feet from indoor structures;

Whereas carbon monoxide poisoning imposes a significant economic burden, costing the United States more than \$1,300,000,000 annually in hospital expenses, emergency response, and lost productivity; and

Whereas public education, routine appliance maintenance, and the widespread installation of certified carbon monoxide alarms are proven, cost-effective methods for preventing carbon monoxide injuries and deaths: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the recognition “Carbon Monoxide
3 Action and Awareness Month”;

4 (2) encourages Federal, State, and local agen-
5 cies to collaborate with public health organizations,
6 safety advocates, and first responders to expand
7 awareness and prevention efforts nationwide;

8 (3) urges all United States citizens to install
9 and maintain certified carbon monoxide alarms, to
10 test them regularly, and to learn to recognize the
11 signs and symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning;

12 (4) supports continued public and private part-
13 nerships that raise awareness of carbon monoxide
14 hazards and promote healthy home environments;
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16 (5) commends first responders, medical profes-
17 sionals, and community educators for their ongoing

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- 1 commitment to saving lives through carbon mon-
- 2 oxide prevention and education.

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