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Congratulating the National Library of Medicine on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VAN HOLLEN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas the Congress, recognizing the integral role of the Armed Forces Medical Library to support medical and health-related sciences research, education, and health care, passed the National Library of Medicine Act in 1956 that placed the Armed Forces Medical Library under the Public Health Service and renamed it the National Library of Medicine (NLM);

Whereas the National Library of Medicine, through its extramural programs of grant assistance, has helped to expand and improve the Nation's medical library and health communications resources, technology, and manpower for service to the health community;

Whereas the National Library of Medicine, through its vast repository of resources including MEDLINE/PubMed Central, MEDLINEplus, ClinicalTrials.gov, NIH SeniorHealth, Tox Town, Household Products Database, AIDSinfo, and Genetics Home Reference, helps to further the Medical Library Association’s mission to foster excellence in the professional achievement and leadership of health sciences library and information professionals to enhance the quality of health care, education, and research throughout the world;

Whereas the National Library of Medicine, through outreach programs such as “Partners in Information Access” and “Go Local”, is providing increasingly valuable tools for medical librarians, health professionals, and health consumers everywhere to support information access and high-quality health care;

Whereas the National Library of Medicine, through its proactive program in emergency preparedness and response, played a key role in supporting the efforts of Federal agencies to provide information, health care, and disaster relief following Hurricane Katrina; and

Whereas the National Library of Medicine, through its leadership and support of the Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH-Funded Research, is improving access to the published results of NIH-funded research and ensuring its preservation for future generations: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring), That the Congress—*

1 (1) congratulates the National Library of Medi-
2 cine on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the
3 National Library of Medicine Act; and

4 (2) commends the Library for its support of
5 health sciences librarianship and leadership in the
6 field of health sciences information.

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