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Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States House of Representatives and Senate should pass health care reform initiatives which have received overwhelming bipartisan support, prior to the adjournment of the 103d Congress.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 1993

Mr. STEARNS submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States House of Representatives and Senate should pass health care reform initiatives which have received overwhelming bipartisan support, prior to the adjournment of the 103d Congress.

Whereas 31 to 37 million Americans do not have adequate health care coverage;

Whereas every day, Americans who have health care coverage fear they may lose it due to a sudden catastrophic illness or change in employment;

Whereas the skyrocketing costs of health care jeopardizes the current and future accessibility of health care for millions of Americans;

Whereas physicians must practice medicine in constant fear of excessive malpractice lawsuits being brought against them for providing treatment to patients;

Whereas fraud and abuse in the health care system is running rampant and American taxpayers are losing billions of dollars;

Whereas the American public is demanding action on health care reform and cannot wait any longer for the Congress to act; and

Whereas partisanship must not stand in the way of progress in health care reform: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the leadership of the United States
3 House of Representatives and Senate should work to-
4 gether in a bipartisan manner to pass health care reform
5 initiatives which have received overwhelming bipartisan
6 support, prior to the adjournment of the 103d Congress.

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