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Condemning Tucker Carlson’s decision to give a platform to Holocaust revisionist views for which perpetuating harmful falsehoods, fostering anti-semitism, and undermining the fight against hate and bigotry.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TORRES of New York submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

RESOLUTION

Condemning Tucker Carlson’s decision to give a platform to Holocaust revisionist views for which perpetuating harmful falsehoods, fostering antisemitism, and undermining the fight against hate and bigotry.

Whereas, on September 2, 2024, Tucker Carlson hosted a Holocaust revisionist, Darryl Cooper, on his show “Tucker on X”, during which false claims about the Holocaust and World War II were propagated;

Whereas, over the course of the past decade, Holocaust revisionism has grown in intensity;

Whereas Darryl Cooper falsely claimed that the millions who perished in Nazi concentration camps did so because of

humanitarian efforts and a lack of resources, rather than the deliberate starvation and intentional genocide meticulously orchestrated by the Nazi regime;

Whereas Darryl Cooper, in his words, presented the hyperbolic assessment that Hitler launched a war in the Soviet East in 1941 and was completely unprepared to deal with the millions of prisoners-of-war, throwing millions into camps, and resulted in the deaths of millions;

Whereas Darryl Cooper points to letters in July 1941 from “commandants in these makeshift camps” warning the Nazi German High Command that “[Nazi Germany] can’t feed these people” and instead, he claims one Nazi commander suggested it be “more humane to just finish them off quickly now?”;

Whereas Holocaust revisionism is a dangerous and morally reprehensible distortion of historical truth, disrespecting the memory of over 6,000,000 Jewish victims and the countless others murdered by the Nazis during the Holocaust;

Whereas Mr. Cooper inaccurately refers to Operation Barbarossa as an operation undertaken by Nazi Germany without a plan, which in reality resulted in the largest and costliest land offensive in human history, resulting in an estimated 10,000,000 combatants and over 8,000,000 casualties;

Whereas the actual, intentional, deliberate mass starvation that resulted was part of the Hunger Plan of the Generalplan Ost orchestrated by Nazi bureaucrats, such as Herbert Backe and Heinrich Himmler, was approved during the Staatssekretäre of May 2, 1941;

Whereas the Nuremberg trials unsealed the economic plan known as Göring's Green Folder, which included the Hunger Plan, outlined a deliberate starvation of over 31,000,000 to nearly 45,000,000 individuals in the Soviet Union, as early December 1940, contrary to Mr. Cooper's interpretation;

Whereas the Hunger Plan outlined a goal of genocidal extermination and enslavement of Slavic and Eastern European Jewish populations;

Whereas Nazi Germany was not self-sufficient and relied on foreign imports, had depleted reserve grain stocks;

Whereas Hitler credited the Allied blockade of Germany during World War I to Germany's defeat, and prioritized essential preservation of food supplies at the cost of human lives;

Whereas the deliberate starvation campaign resulted in an estimated 4,200,000 starved between 1941–1944, with the highest rates of starvation among Jewish populations;

Whereas the Nazi Army Group Center created as part of Operation Barbarossa, enforced a prohibition on Jews to purchase eggs, butter, milk, meat, and fruit;

Whereas additionally, caloric intake for Jews was limited to 420 calories a day;

Whereas over 2,000,000 deaths were reported by February 1942 as a result of the deliberate policy of starvation;

Whereas comparatively, French, Belgian, and Dutch prisoners-of-war who died as a result of starvation was extremely low due to Nazi Germany implementing an embargo on the Dutch, over 22,000 died in the Dutch Famine of 1944–1945;

Whereas Nazi Germany's deliberate starvation plans led to seizing Ukrainian granaries and resulted in over 1,000,000 deaths in the Siege of Leningrad and an estimated 80,000 deaths in Kharkov and Kyiv;

Whereas nearly 300,000 deaths resulted from the Great Famine in Greece, and over 600,000 deaths in Poland largely impacting Jews in ghettos and ethnic Poles;

Whereas Tucker Carlson's platforming of these harmful views represents an endorsement of Holocaust denial, which emboldens antisemitism and undermines efforts to combat hate and misinformation;

Whereas Tucker Carlson's failure to critically challenge or denounce these falsehoods on his platform contributes to the spread of Nazi propaganda and historical revisionism, posing a direct threat to historical truth and the dignity of Holocaust survivors;

Whereas Holocaust revisionism and distortion, including intentional efforts to excuse or minimize the impact of the Holocaust, dishonors those who were persecuted and murdered and reinforces the need for advancing accurate Holocaust education globally;

Whereas antisemitism is on the rise globally, where there has been an increase of over 140 percent in 2023, according to the Anti-Defamation League;

Whereas trafficking in Holocaust revisionism further fuels the dangerous spread of hate and discrimination; and

Whereas protecting the history of the Holocaust and recognizing and confronting Holocaust denial and distortion is critical to preventing antisemitism: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

1 (1) strongly condemns Tucker Carlson’s deci-
2 sion to give a platform to Holocaust revisionist views
3 for which perpetuating harmful falsehoods, fostering
4 antisemitism, and undermining the fight against
5 hate and bigotry;

6 (2) strongly condemns Holocaust revisionist
7 Darryl Cooper for disingenuously mischaracterizing
8 the meticulously detailed plans by Nazi officials to
9 create an artificial famine and deliberately starve
10 millions of Eastern European Jews, Poles, Slavs,
11 and Indigenous minorities;

12 (3) commits to continue to raise awareness and
13 act to eradicate the continuing scourge of anti-
14 semitism in the United States and abroad;

15 (4) honors the legacy of the survivors of the
16 Holocaust; and

17 (5) recommits to combating all forms of anti-
18 semitism.

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