

111<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. RES. 1657

Congratulating Ichiro Suzuki, outfielder for the Seattle Mariners, for becoming the first player in the history of Major League Baseball with at least 200 base hits in 10 consecutive seasons.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 23, 2010

Mr. McDERMOTT (for himself, Mr. HONDA, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. DICKS, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. TITUS, Mr. WU, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. CHU, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. SPEIER, and Ms. TSONGAS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## RESOLUTION

Congratulating Ichiro Suzuki, outfielder for the Seattle Mariners, for becoming the first player in the history of Major League Baseball with at least 200 base hits in 10 consecutive seasons.

Whereas, on September 23, 2010, Ichiro Suzuki, outfielder for the Seattle Mariners, became the first player in the history of Major League Baseball with at least 200 base hits in 10 consecutive seasons, breaking a record of 8 consecutive seasons by Willie Keeler that had stood for 108 years;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki was previously tied with Ty Cobb, who recorded at least 200 hits in 9 seasons between 1907 and 1924;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki set the record with a line-drive single to center field in the fifth inning against the Toronto Blue Jays;

Whereas only Pete Rose, with 10 200-hit seasons ties Ichiro Suzuki in the number of 200-hit seasons, although that feat was not accomplished in consecutive seasons;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki moved to the United States in 2001 to play for the Seattle Mariners, after playing 9 years for the Orix Blue Wave in Japan;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki became the first fielder in Major League Baseball who was born in Japan;

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki has played outfield for the Seattle Mariners since April 2, 2001, has earned 9 consecutive Gold Glove awards, and has made 10 consecutive All-Star Game appearances; and

Whereas Ichiro Suzuki is the first Major League Baseball player to be inducted into the Japanese Baseball Hall of Fame: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-  
2 nizes and congratulates Ichiro Suzuki, outfielder for the  
3 Seattle Mariners, for becoming the first player in the his-  
4 tory of Major League Baseball with at least 200 base hits  
5 in 10 consecutive seasons.

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