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H. RES. 393

Honoring all families.

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Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California (for himself, Mr. RUIZ, Mr. POCAN, Ms. CRAIG, Ms. BALINT, and Mr. FROST) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

Honoring all families.

Whereas there are 1,800,000 adopted children in the United States;

Whereas more than 320,000 children in the United States were cared for by foster families in fiscal year 2021;

Whereas 13 percent of adults in the United States are step-parents;

Whereas for many children in the United States, family members and loved ones serving as guardians fulfill the roles and responsibilities of parents every day;

Whereas millions of people and families in the United States face barriers to biological parenthood, including, but not limited to, LGBTQI+ people, people with disabilities,

people who cannot conceive, people who experience pregnancy loss, and more; and

Whereas between 2,000,000 and 3,700,000 children under age 18 have an LGBTQI+ parent who may not have a biological relationship to their child: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that—

3 (1) a parent’s ability to contribute to their
4 child’s growth and success is not defined by the cir-
5 cumstances by which they became a parent; and

6 (2) families of all backgrounds and cir-
7 cumstances deserve to be recognized, respected, and
8 celebrated.

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