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# H. RES. 675

Condemning the Government of Iran for its violence against demonstrators and calling for peaceful resolution to the concerns of the citizens of Iran.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 2018

Mr. BANKS of Indiana (for himself, Mr. MESSER, and Mr. ROKITA) submitted the following resolution

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Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## RESOLUTION

Condemning the Government of Iran for its violence against demonstrators and calling for peaceful resolution to the concerns of the citizens of Iran.

Whereas, on December 28, 2017, citizens began protesting the Government of Iran across the country in the cities and towns of Dorud, Khomains Shahr, Najafabad, Qahdarijan, Tehran, and Tuysarkan;

Whereas so far 20 people have been killed and 450 have been arrested since demonstrations first began;

Whereas the United States is committed to promoting universal human rights, specifically freedom of speech and freedom of assembly;

Whereas the Government of Iran has provided monetary support to terrorist organizations such as Hezbollah and Hamas; and

Whereas the citizens of Iran deserve the support of the international community in their pursuit of a democratic government that respects human rights and freedoms: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) condemns the Government of Iran—

3                       (A) for its funding of terrorist organiza-  
4                       tions and activities;

5                       (B) for the continued oppression of its citi-  
6                       zens; and

7                       (C) for the suppression of communication  
8                       through interference with internet applications  
9                       such as Instagram, Facebook, Telegram, and  
10                      Twitter; and

11               (2) reaffirms—

12                      (A) the commitment of the United States  
13                      to preserving and promoting the freedoms of  
14                      speech and assembly as universal rights; and

15                      (B) the support of the United States for  
16                      the citizens of Iran to establish a freely elected,  
17                      democratic system.

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