

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 62

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND SUPPORTING THE CONGRESSIONAL PRAYER
CAUCUS FOUNDATION, INC., AS WE PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY AND STATE.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, the citizens and residents of the United States, throughout
American history, have drawn strength, hope and guidance from prayer; and

WHEREAS, from the First Continental Congress to the present day,
through every form of adversity and blessing, Americans have implored and
thanked God Almighty for protecting, preserving and healing our families and
our land; and

WHEREAS, American civilization was founded on the principle of reli-
gious freedom, recognizing the right of all Americans to worship or decline
to worship as we see fit; and

WHEREAS, the freedom to worship is not diminished merely because a per-
son is elected to public office, and public servants who believe in the power
of prayer will often seek inspiration from prayer in the work of serving the
nation and people we love; and

WHEREAS, the Bible records in 2 Chronicles 7:14 that God told King
Solomon: "If My people who are called by My Name will humble themselves and
pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from
heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."; and

WHEREAS, in early 2005, a small group of members of the United States
House of Representatives began meeting in Room 219 of the United States
Capitol to pray for our nation, and soon thereafter formed the Congressional
Prayer Caucus to vigilantly observe and protect the right of individuals to
pray in America; and

WHEREAS, their vision for the caucus inspired them to form the Congres-
sional Prayer Caucus Foundation, Inc., which is a nonpartisan, nonprofit or-
ganization designed to support the call of America to prayer; and

WHEREAS, on the 7th of March 2015, members of Congress and state legis-
lators from all across America gathered for the purpose of calling the nation
back to prayer, realizing the benefit of turning to God and prayer, not for a
single day or a single month, but without ceasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular
Session of the Sixty-third Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives
and the Senate concurring therein, that we respectfully and humbly invite
the people of Idaho to join us in supporting the Congressional Prayer Caucus
Foundation, Inc., as we pray for God's continued blessing of our country and
our state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we respectfully and humbly thank God and the
people of Idaho for the opportunity to serve.