

Rep. Knollenberg offered the following concurrent resolution:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 68.

A concurrent resolution to urge the Congress of the United States to adopt stricter economic sanctions against Iran.

Whereas, Iran continues to pursue the development of nuclear weapons. Iran's nuclear program threatens to destabilize the Middle East and its energy supplies vital to the United States and the rest of the world. Iran has failed to demonstrate that its nuclear program is strictly limited to civilian uses; and

Whereas, The U.S. Congress recently passed stronger economic sanctions to compel Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons. The new sanctions close avenues used to evade past sanctions and further restrict Iran's ability to generate revenue for its nuclear program. The sanctions will punish banks, insurance companies, and shippers that enable Iran to continue to sell its oil; and

Whereas, The new sanctions do not go far enough. Iran has demonstrated with past sanctions that it will do everything it can to circumvent them. Only the strictest economic sanctions preventing business with Iran will make Iran end its nuclear weapons program; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That we urge the Congress of the United States to adopt stricter economic sanctions against Iran; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.