

**SUSPEND THE RULES AND AGREE TO THE CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION, H. CON. RES. 260, WITH AMENDMENTS**

**(THE AMENDMENTS CONSIST OF A NEW PREAMBLE, A  
SUBSTITUTE TEXT, AND AN AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE)**

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. CON. RES. 260

Recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions, *Nostra Aetate*, and the continuing need for mutual interreligious respect and dialogue.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 8, 2005

Mr. HOLT submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on International Relations

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions, *Nostra Aetate*, and the continuing need for mutual interreligious respect and dialogue.

Whereas 2005 marks the 40th anniversary of the promulgation of *Nostra Aetate*, the declaration on the relation of the Roman Catholic Church to non-Christian religions;



Whereas on October 28, 1965, after the overwhelmingly affirmative vote of the Second Vatican Council of the Roman Catholic Church, Pope Paul VI issued *Nostra Aetate*, which means “in our time”;

Whereas *Nostra Aetate* affirmed the respect of the Roman

1           (2) appreciates the role of the Holy See in com-  
2           bating religious intolerance and religious discrimina-  
3           tion;

4           (3) encourages the United States to continue to  
5           serve in a leading role in combating anti-Semitism  
6           and other forms of religious intolerance and religious  
7           discrimination worldwide;

8           (4) acknowledges the role of Nostra Aetate in  
9           fostering interreligious dialogue and mutual respect,  
10          including, in particular, new relationships of collabo-  
11          ration and dialogue between Jews and Catholics  
12          since the issuance of Nostra Aetate; and

13          (5) requests the President to issue a proclama-  
14          tion recognizing the 40th anniversary of Nostra  
15          Aetate and the historic role of Nostra Aetate in fos-  
16          tering mutual interreligious respect and dialogue.

Amend the title so as to read: “Concurrent resolu-  
tion recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Second Vati-  
can Council’s promulgation of Nostra Aetate, the declara-  
tion on the relation of the Roman Catholic Church to  
non-Christian religions, and the historic role of Nostra  
Aetate in fostering mutual interreligious respect and dia-  
logue.”.

