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Young Evangelicals for Climate Action**

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Dear Representative,

On behalf of our millions of members and supporters, the undersigned organizations urge you to oppose H.Con.Res 119. This anti-climate resolution is a tiresome effort advanced by the Koch Brothers and their “Just Say No” partners that deny the need to take any action on climate. This resolution puts the interests of big polluters ahead of the health and well-being of American families and future generations.

H.Con.Res 119 ignores the huge costs that our country is already experiencing due to climate change – costs that are impacting every state and fall disproportionately on low-income communities and communities of color. One only needs to look to last year’s Hurricanes Harvey and Maria to see the risks we face as a nation from extreme weather made worse by climate change. The polluter coalition leading this effort is the same group of head-in-the-sand climate denial organizations that urged President Trump to withdraw from not only the Paris climate accord, but also the Framework Convention on Climate Change – the global agreement on climate change that was unanimously ratified by the Senate and signed by President George Bush in 1992.

Instead of taking options off the table, Congress should be debating how it can best position our country to lead the global transition to clean energy sources. Last year Americans working in wind, solar, energy efficiency, and other clean energy jobs [outnumbered fossil fuel jobs three to one](#). Despite Trump’s move to withdraw from the Paris Accord, cities, states, and companies across America are committing to policies to limit carbon pollution and correct the market’s failure to capture the health and environmental costs of burning fossil fuels. Indeed, not [just California](#) but [states like Connecticut and Tennessee](#) have shown that reducing pollution can go hand in hand with economic growth.

At a time when the American taxpayer is already paying to move vulnerable American communities to higher ground because of climate-driven sea level rise and parts of the country are still recovering from the last hurricane season, lawmakers should not be pursuing hyper-partisan actions to stifle and silence thoughtful, informed debate on climate action.

We urge you to vote no on H Con Res 119.

Sincerely,

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