

By: Representative Stevens

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## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING DR. ANGELOS E. HALARIS FOR  
2 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF  
3 NEUROPSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY (CINP) RESEARCH MENTOR PROGRAM.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Angelos E. Halaris, Professor and Chairman of  
5 Psychiatry at the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMC),  
6 in 1999, founded the International College of  
7 Neuropsychopharmacology (CINP) Research Mentor Program, dedicated  
8 to assisting scientists in developing countries in sharpening  
9 their skills and advancing their careers in the field of  
10 neuropsychopharmacology; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Halaris' vision of CINP was initially  
12 conceptualized along with Dr. Stephen Stahl of the University of  
13 California, San Diego, who chairs CINP's Education Committee; and

14 WHEREAS, the starting point of Halaris' and Stahl's idea  
15 commenced when the two determined the immense need for promising  
16 scientists in developing countries to be educated and mentored in  
17 psychopharmacology clinical practice and clinical research; and

18 WHEREAS, premising the idea of CINP is the belief that by  
19 organizing on an international basis the matching of promising  
20 scientists with senior established clinician investigators, this  
21 could facilitate the fashioning of firm relationships between  
22 mentors and mentees, and for that reason, Dr. Halaris set out to  
23 accomplish a more interactive approach to the program; and

24 WHEREAS, to achieve the goal of identifying worldwide  
25 participants, Professor Peter Gaszner of the National Institute of  
26 Psychiatry in Budapest, Hungary, was selected to co-chair the CINP  
27 program with Dr. Halaris; and



28           WHEREAS, in CINP's early stages, the program consisted of  
29 scientific lectures, seminars and workshops conducted within  
30 various developing countries, all of which still remain a part of  
31 the overall program; and

32           WHEREAS, the program has targeted all Central and South  
33 America areas summarily declared as areas of need, as well as  
34 selected far-eastern countries, such as China, Vietnam and  
35 Malaysia; and

36           WHEREAS, Dr. Halaris personally recruited mentors from among  
37 his professional colleagues, most of whom were in the United  
38 States and a number from UMC, to provide two types of declared  
39 working relationships: the level of exchange, being the simplest,  
40 and the more complex level of actual laboratory and department  
41 hands-on instruction with the mentor and mentee; and

42           WHEREAS, more than 40 pairs of mentors and mentees from  
43 around the world participate in the CINP program; and

44           WHEREAS, in September 2001, Dr. Halaris attended the regional  
45 meeting of CINP in Budapest dedicated to the research mentor  
46 program, in which approximately 20 mentees, most of whom are  
47 doctors of medicine, presented research findings for which they  
48 received guidance from their CINP mentors; and

49           WHEREAS, Dr. Halaris' assets of organizational and  
50 communicational skills and dedication to the discipline of  
51 psychiatry were instrumental in his successful accomplishment of  
52 instituting the CINP program; and

53           WHEREAS, this outstanding accomplishment of Dr. Angelos  
54 Halaris brings international honor and recognition to his family,  
55 his community and the State of Mississippi, and it reflects a  
56 great esteem upon his professional abilities:

57           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
58 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
59 commend Dr. Angelos E. Halaris upon the development of the



60 International College of Neuropsychopharmacology (CINP) Research  
61 Mentor Program and wish him great success in his future endeavors.

62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
63 furnished to Dr. Angelos E. Halaris, University of Mississippi  
64 Medical Center and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

