

## House Resolution 2171

By: Representatives Marin of the 96<sup>th</sup>, Casas of the 103<sup>rd</sup>, Sellier of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Mangham of the 94<sup>th</sup>, Ashe of the 56<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the United States Congress to pass the National Museum of the American Latino  
2 Commission Act; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the contributions of the Hispanic community to the United States date back to  
4 1565, when the Spanish established the first permanent settlement in United States territory  
5 in St. Augustine, Florida; and

6 WHEREAS, Latinos in the United States have influenced and enriched this country since its  
7 founding and continue to make important contributions; and

8 WHEREAS, there exists a need for a home for historical artifacts, images, and stories  
9 documenting over 500 years of Latino contributions to our nation; and

10 WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives on February 6, 2007, passed by  
11 unanimous voice vote the National Museum of the American Latino Commission Act for the  
12 creation of a commission to study the feasibility of and to establish a plan for a new national  
13 museum for this purpose; and

14 WHEREAS, identical legislation has been introduced and favorably reported out of  
15 committee in the United States Senate.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
17 this body does hereby urge the United States Congress to adopt the National Museum of the  
18 American Latino Commission Act for the important purpose of furthering the  
19 commemoration of Latino contributions to the United States of America.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each member of the Georgia  
22 congressional delegation.