

110TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. RES. 1082

Recognizing the plumbing industry and supporting the goals and ideals of  
“National Plumbing Industry Week”.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 8, 2008

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ (for herself and Mr. CHABOT) submitted the following  
resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

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## RESOLUTION

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and ideals of “National Plumbing Industry Week”.

Whereas on June 27, 1883, Victorian plumbers came to-  
gether at the Old Masonic Temple in New York City,  
New York, for the first-ever convention of master plumb-  
ers;

Whereas the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors—Na-  
tional Association (PHCC) is the oldest trade association  
in the construction industry;

Whereas for over 125 years, our Nation has been paving the  
way for today’s plumbing, heating, and cooling contrac-  
tor’s status as important, and independent small business  
people;

Whereas the majority of plumbing contractors are small business owners, who help create critical jobs in this country;

Whereas the men and women who design, manufacture, install, and maintain water efficient plumbing systems play a crucial role in our economy;

Whereas this industry has one of the best and most extensive training programs in the country by providing young men and women with thousands of dollars in scholarships every year;

Whereas professional certified plumbers save our Nation millions of dollars each year through the design and installation of more efficient equipment that provides essential comfort while reducing water consumption; and

Whereas the House of Representatives supports the industry in its celebration of “National Plumbing Industry Week”, April 27 through May 3, 2008: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) recognizes that small business plumbing  
3       contractors have benefitted from the reduced regu-  
4       latory burden provided as a result of passage of the  
5       Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (Public Law 96–  
6       354) and the Small Business Regulatory Enforce-  
7       ment Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–121);

8               (2) recognizes that the loan guarantee program  
9       under Section 7(a) of the Small Business Act (15  
10       U.S.C. 636(a)) administered by the Administrator of  
11       the Small Business Administration has provided ac-

1       cess to capital for small business plumbing contrac-  
2       tors;

3           (3) recognizes that approximately 80 percent of  
4       plumbing contractors around the country are small,  
5       family owned and run companies;

6           (4) recognizes these small firms account for a  
7       large percentage of our Nation's GDP, through  
8       sales, service, and repair;

9           (5) recognizes how small businesses in the  
10      plumbing industry are the leader in developing, and  
11      utilizing new innovative technologies which help im-  
12      prove and maintain the infrastructure our Nation  
13      depends on; and

14          (6) supports the goals and ideals of "National  
15      Plumbing Industry Week".

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