

Rep. Calley offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 174.

A resolution to memorialize the United States Congress to examine current trade policies with China, including the issues of safety and the overall impact of Chinese goods on our country.

Whereas, There have been numerous health and safety problems with Chinese imports in the United States. China has an increasingly poor track record of exporting defective products, including such varied goods as seafood, pet food, toothpaste, toys, and tires. These defective imported goods have threatened the safety of our children, pets, and general family welfare; and

Whereas, Chinese authorities have discovered that many of their food products such as candy, pickles, crackers and seafood have been found to contain formaldehyde, illegal dyes, and industrial wax, among other dangerous contents; and

Whereas, United States regulators ordered a recall of hundreds of thousands of tires imported from China, after it was discovered that the defective tires could suffer tread separation. Also, Japanese importers recalled Chinese toothpaste that was found to contain a chemical used in antifreeze; and

Whereas, Chinese wheat gluten tainted with the chemical melamine was blamed for deaths of dogs and cats in North America. Products rejected or recalled by United States authorities include toxic fish, juice containing unsafe color additives, and popular toy trains decorated with lead paint; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize the United States Congress to examine current trade policies with China, including the issues of safety and the overall impact of Chinese goods on our country; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.