

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 174

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution of sorrow offered to honor the life and legacy of
2 Charlie Kirk, political activist and founder of the non-profit
3 organization Turning Point USA.

4 Whereas, It is with great sorrow that the members of this
5 legislative body learned of the passing of Charlie Kirk, who was
6 horrifically assassinated during a political debate at Utah Valley
7 University on September 10, 2025. He will be remembered always as a
8 man of strong faith and a tireless advocate for civic engagement
9 and the freedom of expression; and

10 Whereas, Charlie Kirk was born in Arlington Heights, Illinois
11 in 1993 and from an early age he demonstrated a passion for
12 exchanging ideas. In 2012, at the age of 18 years old, he founded
13 Turning Point USA. This non-profit organization, through Charlie

1 Kirk's leadership, has been committed to engaging young people in
2 discussions about the issues that are facing our country. This
3 organization has grown and now there are Turning Point USA Chapters
4 at the University of Michigan and Michigan State University. What
5 began as a grassroots effort quickly expanded into a national
6 movement which has shaped the civic involvement of an entire
7 generation; and

8 Whereas, Throughout his career, Kirk became a prominent
9 author, radio host, and public speaker, appearing on campuses and
10 stages across the country to encourage civil discourse,
11 participation, and the defense of American values. Just this past
12 April, he visited Michigan State University's campus to debate with
13 students about a wide variety of topics from immigration to the
14 economy. He inspired many with his belief that young people could
15 be leaders in the strengthening of democracy and in shaping the
16 future of our nation; and

17 Whereas, Kirk's influence extended beyond politics into the
18 lives of countless students and activists who credit him with
19 awakening their interest in politics and civic duty. His ability to
20 connect with younger generations and provide platforms for their
21 voices left a legacy that will endure long beyond his death; and

22 Whereas, In previous interviews, Charlie Kirk expressed that
23 he wanted "to be remembered for courage for [his] faith." He had
24 hoped for his legacy to be rooted on his steadfast devotion to God
25 rather than his successful advocacy efforts. His answer showed the
26 foundation of his character and the principles that guided his
27 efforts, his relationships, and his service to others. His
28 unwavering faith left behind an example that will continue to
29 inspire those who share his values; and

1 Whereas, Along with recognizing Charlie Kirk's contributions
2 to this nation, we also offer our condolences to his loved ones. We
3 guarantee to his wife, Erika Kirk, their daughter and son, his
4 family, friends, and the many who mourn his loss that Charlie Kirk's
5 accomplishments and his impact on those throughout this state and
6 country shall always be remembered. We affirm that Charlie's
7 passion, energy, and leadership will always be remembered by those
8 whose lives he touched; and

9 Whereas, We recognize the impact of Charlie Kirk's life work
10 in encouraging political participation, especially among young
11 Americans, and in championing principles enshrined in our
12 Constitution. His legacy remains a testament to the power of
13 conviction, civic involvement, and fearless advocacy; now,
14 therefore, be it

15 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
16 expression of our highest respect and sorrow to honor the memory of
17 Charlie Kirk, political activist, author, and national leader.