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You are the 11 U.S. Representatives who voted "NO" against the total 405 "YES" on H.Res.296 ("Affirming the United States record on the Armenian Genocide") when it came to the House Floor for a vote on October 29, 2019.

We, on behalf the Turkish Forum/World Turkish Alliance, a group that was founded in 1993 and has now a world-wide membership of 500,000 representing people of Turkish heritage across the continents, extend you our deep appreciation and thanks for your correct and principled position on this resolution. You had the courage to cast "NO" votes at a time when anti-Turkish sentimens in the House had reached a high decibel because of the Syrian situation.

Please rest assured that H.Res.296, instigated by the Armenian lobby, and brought to the House Floor against the backdrop of highly-strained U.S.-Turkey relations, contains genocide allegations that cannot be supported on either historical or legal grounds.

The resolution adds insult to injury where it is stated that the "massacres "of Armenians lasted until 1923, the year the modern Turkish Republic was founded, and that the U.S. had "recognized" "Armenian genocide" (in 4 words!) back in 1951, at a time when Turkish soldiers were fighting and served in Korea from 1950 to 1971, and 751 of them died on the battlefield. More than 21,000 were wounded.