

HOUSE No. 683

By Mr. Kaplan of Boston, petition of Laurence D. Shubow that Congress be memorialized to study and review the problem of resurgent Nazism in Germany and the failure of the denazification program in the United States zone. Constitutional Law.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

RESOLUTIONS MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO STUDY AND REVIEW THE PROBLEM OF RESURGENT NAZISM IN GERMANY AND THE FAILURE OF THE DENAZIFICATION PROGRAM IN THE UNITED STATES ZONE.

1 *Whereas*, There are growing reports of the resur-
2 gency of Nazism in Germany, and
3 *Whereas*, These reports underscore the need for a
4 review of our policies in Germany with respect to (a)
5 the results of transferring responsibility for de-
6 nazification to the German authorities, (b) the sur-
7 render of the program for dismantling industrial
8 plants stolen during the war from countries over-run
9 by the Wehrmacht, (c) the infiltration of former
10 Nazis, Nazi supporters and other anti-democratic
11 elements into high position in public, economic and
12 educational life, (d) the reappearance of intensive anti-
13 semitism and militant nationalism, (e) the rise of
14 strong new political parties based on Nazi doctrine
15 and militarism, (f) the failure to dissolve anti-demo-
16 cratic cartels and huge industrial combines, (g) pro-

17 posals that German military resources be strengthened
18 and the German army be rebuilt; and

19 *Whereas*, Many organizations in the commonwealth
20 such as the American Legion and the Jewish Com-
21 munity Council of Boston have formally requested
22 an investigation of the aforementioned problems by
23 the authorities in Washington; and

24 *Whereas*, Senate resolution one hundred and twenty-
25 five, introduced by Mr. Pepper and Mr. Ives, pro-
26 viding for a study of the present state of Nazism in
27 Germany, is now under consideration by the Congress
28 of the United States; now therefore be it

29 *Resolved*, That the general court of Massachusetts
30 urges the Congress of the United States to institute
31 a thoroughgoing study and review of the resurgence
32 of Nazism in Germany and the failure of the denazifi-
33 cation program in the United States zone; and be it
34 further

35 *Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be sent
36 forthwith by the state secretary to the President of
37 the United States, to the presiding officer of each
38 branch of Congress and to the members thereof from
39 this commonwealth.