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Hon. Donald J. Trump
President of the United States of America
The White House
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June 5, 2017

ANNUAL MEETING, June 4, 2017

Resolutions

Resolution 1 of 3

Whereas the Republic of Poland is an excellent ally of the United States of America,

Whereas the United States and Poland share a love for freedom,

Whereas Poland is an excellent member of NATO and meets its commitment to spend at least two percent of GDP on defense,

Whereas in 2018 Poland will celebrate the 100th anniversary of regaining independence in 1918 after 123 years of foreign occupation,

Whereas the United States was a strong supporter of Polish independence and President Woodrow Wilson included an independent Poland in his Fourteen Points,

Whereas Polish Americans continue to serve bravely in the armed forces of the United States,

Whereas, Andrzej Duda, President of the Republic of Poland invited President Trump to visit Poland and President Trump accepted,

Be it resolved, that the Washington Metropolitan Area Division of the Polish American Congress, convened in its annual meeting on 4 June 2107, strongly urges President Donald J. Trump to carry out a state visit to Poland as soon as possible.

Resolution 2 of 3

Whereas Poland is an excellent ally of the United States;

Whereas the current visa regime notably hinders people to people contacts, commerce, cultural exchange and interaction between Poles and Americans;

Whereas millions of Polish Americans face harm by the fact that their Polish friends, relatives, and associates cannot easily travel to the United States to visit;

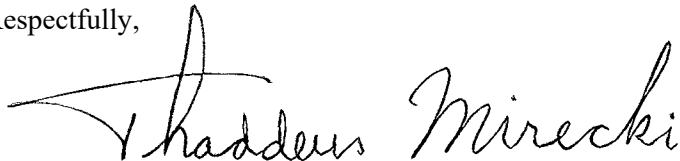
Whereas citizens of 38 countries (including Chile, South Korea, Taiwan, and nearly all members of the European Union) can travel to the United States without a visa;

Whereas Congress has proven itself unable to include Poland in the Visa Waiver Program;

Whereas, in a meeting with nation-wide representatives of the Polish American Congress and other Polish-American organizations in Chicago on September 28, 2016, then-candidate Donald Trump said: "I promise that within weeks of my Administration being sworn into office, I will see to the approval of Poland in the Visa Waiver Program;"

Be it resolved that the Washington Metropolitan Area Division of the Polish American Congress, convened in its annual meeting on 4 June 2017, strongly urges President Donald J. Trump to issue an executive order to enact visa-free travel to the United States of America for citizens of the Republic of Poland.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thaddeus Mirecki". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T".

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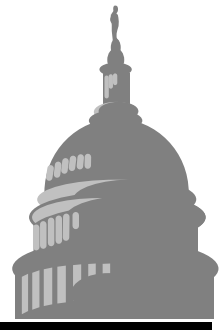
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RESOLUTION 3 of 3

Whereas the Saint Cyril and Methodius Seminary was founded on papal instruction to found the seminary to educate priests for the Polish-American community;

Whereas the Saint Cyril and Methodius Seminary has carried out its mission to Polonia in an exceptionally excellent manner;

Whereas the Saint Cyril and Methodius Seminary publishes the Polish prayer book "Pan z Wami" which is an incredible liturgical support for Polish-American parishes and Catholics throughout the country;

Whereas there are reliable reports that the Saint Cyril and Methodius Seminary will be closed;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Polish American Congress Washington Metropolitan Area Division, gathered at its annual meeting on the fourth of June, 2017, notes its deep concern for the future of the Saint Cyril and Methodius Seminary, expresses its support for efforts to build and develop the Seminary, and urges all to support the Seminary's role as a key Polish-American educational and religious institution.