

A Resolution to investigate those implicated in the Pandora Papers

1 **WHEREAS,** The [Pandora Papers](#) are 11.9 million leaked documents with 2.9 terabytes
2 of data that the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists (ICIJ)
3 [published beginning on 3 October 2021](#); and

4 **WHEREAS,** The leak exposed the secret offshore accounts of 35 world leaders,
5 including current and former presidents, prime ministers, and heads of
6 state as well as more than 100 billionaires, celebrities, and business
7 leaders; and

8 **WHEREAS,** This document is a follow up to the 2016 “[Panama Papers](#)” leak which
9 was similar in nature; and

10 **WHEREAS,** Citizens deserve to be given fair treatment of the law in order to preserve
11 the integrity of governmental structures; now, therefore, be it

12 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled should pursue action to hold those
13 accountable for tax evasion and exploitation through a judicial trial by
14 Congress for crimes against American citizens.

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A Resolution to regulate mining and distribution of cryptocurrency

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Cryptocurrency is [a collection of binary data which is designed to work as](#)
2 [a medium of exchange wherein individual coin ownership records are](#)
3 [stored in a ledger which is a computerized database using strong](#)
4 [cryptography to secure transaction records, to control the creation of](#)
5 [additional coins, and to verify the transfer of coin ownership](#); and
6 **WHEREAS,** Bitcoin, the most common and accessible form of cryptocurrency, [takes](#)
7 [around 140,000 kWh to produce](#) and [there are warehouses of Bitcoin](#)
8 [mining rigs run 24 hours a day, consuming more power than the whole of](#)
9 [Argentina](#); and
10 **WHEREAS,** [One Bitcoin transaction takes 1,544 kWh to complete, or the equivalent](#)
11 [of approximately 53 days of power for the average US household.](#)
12 **WHEREAS,** this consumption results in extreme uses of fossil fuels which will have
13 devastating impacts on the environment; now, therefore, be it
14 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled should regulate the production and
15 use of Bitcoin through state ownership of servers that mine for Bitcoin.

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