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118TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To authorize United States participation in the Davos Alzheimer’s Collaborative.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BERA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Global Alzheimer’s Ini-  
5 tiative Now Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Alzheimer’s disease and dementia currently  
9 afflicts nearly 60 million people across the globe, a

1 number that is projected to jump to more than 150  
2 million by 2050.

3 (2) There are now more global cases of Alz-  
4 heimer's disease and dementia than cancer and HIV  
5 combined, with 39 million diagnosed cases of HIV/  
6 AIDS and 20 million cases of cancer in 2022.

7 (3) The pace of populations aging will challenge  
8 countries' sovereign funds and health and social  
9 safety systems.

10 (4) By 2050, the world's population of people  
11 aged 60 years and older will double to 1.6 billion  
12 and reach a proportion of 22 percent of the world's  
13 population. While the number of persons aged 80 or  
14 older is expected to triple by 2050.

15 (5) The old-age dependency ratio, expressing  
16 the relative size of the older population compared  
17 with the working-age population, is projected to  
18 more than double by 2075 in the majority of the  
19 world. Rising dependency ratios will result in in-  
20 creasing pressures on old-age support systems, with  
21 fewer people of working age for each older person.

22 (6) The prevalence of Alzheimer's disease and  
23 dementia is growing most rapidly in low- and mid-  
24 dle-income countries, which comprise more than 70

1 percent of the world's Alzheimer's disease and de-  
2 mentia cases.

3 (7) Every year, Alzheimer's disease and demen-  
4 tia costs the global economy more than \$1.3 trillion  
5 and this is doubling every decade.

6 (8) By 2050, the number of Americans living  
7 with Alzheimer's disease and dementia is expected to  
8 reach 12.7 million, bringing the total cost to nearly  
9 \$1 trillion each year.

10 (9) Women are disproportionately affected by  
11 Alzheimer's disease and dementia, both directly and  
12 indirectly. Women experience higher disability-ad-  
13 justed life years and mortality due to Alzheimer's  
14 disease and dementia, but also provide 70 percent of  
15 care hours for people living with Alzheimer's disease  
16 and dementia.

17 (10) The Davos Alzheimer's Collaborative  
18 (DAC) is a public-private-patient venture, launched  
19 in 2021, that is transforming Alzheimer's disease  
20 and dementia research, prevention, and care in low-  
21 income, middle-income, and high-income settings  
22 globally.

23 (11) DAC seeks to raise and deploy over \$700  
24 million over 6 years to accelerate innovation in drug  
25 development and transform the way healthcare sys-

1       tems prevent, diagnose, and treat Alzheimer’s dis-  
2       ease and dementia for all people in all places.

3               (12) In 2023, DAC supported 19 healthcare  
4       systems in 12 countries, including the United States.

5               (13) The United States Government is the larg-  
6       est funder of global health programs, with approxi-  
7       mately \$12 billion in annual funding for programs  
8       that cover the full range of global health challenges.

9               (14) USAID and the Department of State are  
10      lead funders of multilateral health initiatives, such  
11      as Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, the Global Fund to  
12      Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria, the Coalition for Epi-  
13      demic Preparedness Innovations, and the Inter-  
14      national AIDS Vaccine Initiative.

15   **SEC. 3. STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

16      It shall be the policy of the United States—

17               (1) to lead global cooperative efforts to combat  
18      Alzheimer’s disease and dementia, including in coun-  
19      tries with low-income economies and countries with  
20      middle-income economies (as such terms are defined  
21      by the World Bank) that represent the majority of  
22      future cases; and

23               (2) to lead multilateral health initiatives, in-  
24      cluding the Davos Alzheimer’s Collaborative—

1 (A) to develop diagnostics and treatments  
2 for diverse populations in the United States and  
3 across the globe;

4 (B) to promote international development  
5 cooperation; and

6 (C) to provide substantial leverage and  
7 burden sharing for United States investments.

8 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION FOR UNITED STATES PARTICIPA-**  
9 **TION IN THE DAVOS ALZHEIMER'S COLLABO-**  
10 **RATIVE.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The United States is hereby au-  
12 thorized to participate in, and contribute to, the Davos  
13 Alzheimer's Collaborative (DAC) in order to advance  
14 international efforts to prevent, diagnose, and treat Alz-  
15 heimer's disease and dementia.

16 (b) DESIGNEE.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President is authorized  
18 to designate an employee of the relevant Federal de-  
19 partment or agency providing the majority of United  
20 States contributions to DAC to serve on the Advi-  
21 sory Council of DAC and, if nominated, on the  
22 Board of Directors of DAC, as a representative of  
23 the United States.

24 (2) QUALIFICATIONS.—The individual to be  
25 designated pursuant to paragraph (1) should dem-

1       onstrate knowledge and experience in the fields of  
2       development and public health.

3           (3) COOPERATION.—In carrying out this sec-  
4       tion, the individual designated pursuant to para-  
5       graph (1) shall coordinate with the USAID Adminis-  
6       trator, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of  
7       Health and Human Services to promote alignment,  
8       as appropriate, between DAC and United States  
9       global health and Alzheimer’s disease and dementia  
10      research and development programs.

11      (c) UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTIONS.—

12           (1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts authorized to be  
13      appropriated and made available to carry out chap-  
14      ters 1 and 10 of part I and chapter 4 of part II of  
15      the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151  
16      et seq.) are authorized to be made available for  
17      United States contributions to DAC.

18           (2) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—Amounts made  
19      available under paragraph (1) may be obligated and  
20      expended only to the extent that DAC secures fund-  
21      ing from sources other than the United States. At  
22      any time during fiscal years 2025 through 2029, no  
23      United States contribution to DAC may cause the  
24      total amount of United States Government contribu-  
25      tions to DAC to exceed 33 percent of the total

1 amount of funds contributed to the DAC from all  
2 sources.

3 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
4 of the enactment of this Act, and on an annual basis there-  
5 after, the President shall submit to the appropriate con-  
6 gressional committees a report that includes the following:

7 (1) A description of any planned financial con-  
8 tributions from the United States Government to  
9 DAC.

10 (2) The manner and extent to which the United  
11 States will participate in the governance of DAC.

12 (3) A summary of private and governmental  
13 contributions to DAC.

14 (4) A description of how participation in DAC  
15 supports relevant United States Government strate-  
16 gies and programs to combat Alzheimer’s disease  
17 and dementia and to promote global health.

18 (e) DEFINITION.—In subsection (d), the term “ap-  
19 propriate congressional committees” means—

20 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and Com-  
21 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Represent-  
22 atives; and

23 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and  
24 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.