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Congressman Mike Honda (D-CA) introduced a resolution designating October 11-17, 2015 as Earth Science Week. The resolution (H.Res.472) highlights the importance of studying the earth sciences and promotes better public understanding of the Earth's natural systems. According to Honda, the resolution works to bring more attention to the impact earth science research and discoveries have on our daily lives.

The resolution currently has 36 cosponsors and widespread support among geoscience organizations. It has been referred to the House Committees on Science, Space, and Technology and Education and the Workforce.

Earth Science Week is a national and international event organized annually by the American Geosciences Institute. This year's theme celebrated Visualizing Earth's Systems.

Sources: honda.house.gov, congress.gov