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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Secretary of State should deny a visa to, and the Secretary of Homeland Security should deny admission or parole into the United States for, former President of Afghanistan Ashraf Ghani, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FORTENBERRY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

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Whereas former President of Afghanistan Ashraf Ghani's refusal to vacate his office constitutes a dereliction of duty, leaving Afghanistan without adequate leadership to resist the resurgence of the Taliban, leading to the deaths of an unknown number of Afghan citizens and thirteen United States service members;

Whereas the Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to Tajikistan Mohammad Zahir Aghbar requested the International Criminal Police Organization apprehend

former President of Afghanistan Ashraf Ghani for embezzlement from the treasury of Afghanistan valued at approximately \$169,000,000;

Whereas the United States has provided \$145,000,000,000 to the Government of Afghanistan's reconstruction efforts since 2001, including \$17,280,000,000 in on-budget assistance to the Government of Afghanistan; and

Whereas potentially enriching himself at the expense of the security of American personnel is a violation of the trust the United States placed in former President of Afghanistan Ashraf Ghani and his administration: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that—

3 (1) notwithstanding section 221 of the Immi-
4 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1201), the
5 Secretary of State should deny a visa to, and the
6 Secretary of Homeland Security should deny admis-
7 sion or parole into the United States for, former
8 President of Afghanistan Ashraf Ghani;

9 (2) pursuant to section 221(i) of the Immigra-
10 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1201(i)), the
11 issuing consular officer, the Secretary of State, or
12 the Secretary of Homeland Security (or a designee
13 of any such officer or Secretary) should revoke any
14 visa or other entry documentation issued to former
15 President of Afghanistan Ashraf Ghani, regardless

1 of when the visa or other documentation was issued;
2 and

3 (3) a revocation described in paragraph (2)
4 should take effect immediately and shall automati-
5 cally cancel any other valid visa or entry documenta-
6 tion that is in the alien's possession.

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