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Expressing the sense of the Congress that the withdrawal of American Forces from the country of Afghanistan does not undermine or diminish the sacrifice, efforts, and accomplishments of our members of the Armed Forces, diplomats, humanitarians, allies, and partners.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

Mrs. HINSON (for herself, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. BACON, Mr. CALVERT, Mrs. BICE of Oklahoma, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. MCKINLEY, Ms. STEFANIK, and Mr. TIMMONS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, and Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas the United States was viciously attacked by the murderous terrorist group al-Qaida on September 11, 2001;

Whereas al-Qaida was based in the country of Afghanistan, which was governed by the ruthless and oppressive Taliban regime;

Whereas the United States led an international coalition of military forces into Afghanistan to destroy al-Qaida, kill or capture Osama Bin Laden, and depose the Taliban government;

Whereas hundreds of thousands of United States members of the Armed Forces, diplomats, and humanitarians deployed to Afghanistan or supported operations from afar;

Whereas for nearly 2 decades, the United States was spared from further major attacks by international terror organizations; and

Whereas the withdrawal of the presence of the United States in Afghanistan had led to the collapse of the Afghan government, return of the Taliban to Afghan rule, and great heartache for so many: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) the men and women who undertook the ef-
4 forts of the past years in Afghanistan provided he-
5 roic service to the country;

6 (2) the peace our country experienced is a di-
7 rect result of the actions of our brave members of
8 the Armed Forces, diplomats, and humanitarians;

9 (3) despite the chaotic end to operations in Af-
10 ghanistan, their service is something to be remem-
11 bered, lauded, and honored; and

1 (4) any veterans who feel stress, anger, or dis-
2 appointment from the end of operations in Afghani-
3 stan should seek available resources and the com-
4 fort, guidance, and counsel of friends, mentors, and
5 caregivers.

