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Expressing the need to safely evacuate United States citizens and allies
from Afghanistan.

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Mr. JACOBS of New York (for himself, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CAWTHORN, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. RUTHERFORD, and Mr. MANN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the need to safely evacuate United States citizens
and allies from Afghanistan.

Whereas following the withdrawal of United States military
forces from Afghanistan and the subsequent fall of Kabul
to the Taliban, United States citizens and their allies
face dire risks to their safety;

Whereas the Biden administration estimates as many as
15,000 United States citizens may remain in Afghani-
stan;

Whereas tens of thousands of Afghan citizens who aided the
United States during the war in Afghanistan also remain
in the country;

Whereas the Taliban has retaliated and will continue to retaliate against United States and Afghan citizens;

Whereas there have been multiple reports of Afghan soldiers and interpreters being executed by the Taliban;

Whereas United States citizens requesting help evacuating from Afghanistan were previously told the United States was unable to guarantee their safety;

Whereas the United States had 4,500 troops in the vicinity of Hamid Karzai International Airport as of August 18, 2021; and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Commander in Chief to ensure the safety of United States citizens abroad and our allies: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) affirms that the United States stands firm
3 in its commitment to protecting United States citizens and our allies in Afghanistan;

5 (2) calls on the Commander in Chief to provide
6 a plan to ensure all United States citizens are safely
7 evacuated from Afghanistan; and

8 (3) urges the Biden administration to work as
9 expeditiously as possible to rescue Afghan citizens
10 who aided the United States.

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