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House Resolution

A resolution in support of the use of United States Armed Forces against Iraq.

WHEREAS, Saddam Hussein has failed to comply with the United Nations Security Council Resolutions 678, 686, 687, 688, 707, 715, 949, 1051, 1060, 1115, 1134, 1137, 1154, 1194, 1205, 1284, and 1441, and

WHEREAS, the military action now underway against Iraq is lawful and fully authorized by the Congress in Sec. 3(a) of Public Law 107-243, which passed the U.S. Senate on Oct. 10, 2002, by a vote of 77-23, and which passed the House of Representatives on that same date by a vote of 296-133, and

WHEREAS, more than 225,000 men and women of the United States Armed Forces are now involved in conflict against Iraq, and

WHEREAS, over 200,000 members of the reserves and National Guard have been called to active duty for the conflict against Iraq and other purposes, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature and the American people have the greatest pride in the men and women of the United States Armed Forces, and the civilian personnel supporting them, and strongly support them in their efforts, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

(1) Commends and supports the efforts and leadership of the President, as commander in chief, in the conflict against Iraq;



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31 (2) Commends, and expresses the gratitude of the nation to
32 all members of the United States Armed Forces (whether on active
33 duty, in the National Guard, or in the reserves) and the
34 civilian employees who support their efforts, as well as the men
35 and women of civilian national security agencies who are
36 participating in the military operations in the Persian Gulf
37 region, for their professional excellence, dedicated patriotism,
38 and exemplary bravery;

39 (3) Commends and expresses the gratitude of the state and
40 nation to the family members of soldiers, sailors, airmen,
41 Marines, and civilians serving in operations against Iraq who
42 have borne the burden of sacrifice and separation from their
43 loved ones;

44 (4) Expresses its deep condolences to the families of
45 brave Americans who have lost their lives in this noble
46 undertaking, over many years, against Iraq;

47 (5) Joins all Americans in remembering those who lost
48 their lives during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert
49 Storm in 1991, those still missing from that conflict, including
50 Captain Scott Speicher, USN, and the thousands of Americans who
51 have lost their lives in terrorist attacks over the years, and
52 in the global war on terrorism; and

53 (6) Expresses sincere gratitude to British Prime Minister
54 Tony Blair and his government for their courageous and steadfast
55 support, as well as gratitude to other allied nations for their
56 military support, logistical support, and other assistance in
57 the campaign against Saddam Hussein's regime.

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