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Recognizing the critical importance of the United States Special Operations Forces community and expressing support for the designation of SOF Week.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. ERNST submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing the critical importance of the United States Special Operations Forces community and expressing support for the designation of SOF Week.

Whereas Special Operations Forces (hereinafter referred to as “SOF”) encompass highly trained, specialized military units within the Department of Defense, including the Army Special Forces, Psychological Operations Units, Civil Affairs Soldiers, 75th Ranger Regiment, the 160th Aviation regiment (Night Stalkers), Navy SEALs, Special Warfare Combatant-Craft Crewman, Air Force Special Operations Aviators, Special Tactics Teams, Marine Special Operations (Raiders), and other affiliated units, which embody the highest standards of courage, resilience, and professionalism;

Whereas the SOF community plays a vital role in defending the United States national security interests and is responsible for conducting missions that require unique skills, tactics, and equipment, including campaigning, unconventional warfare, counterterrorism, hostage rescue, and direct action;

Whereas SOF personnel operate under the most challenging and dangerous conditions and conduct military operations in some of the harshest and most volatile environments throughout the world;

Whereas SOF receive specialized training in advanced weapons, language, demolitions, combat medicine, military free-fall, and advanced combat tactics to ensure discrete, precise, and scalable operations;

Whereas the United States must continue to invest in the equipment, training, health, well-being, and transition of SOF members to maintain readiness and honor their valiant service;

Whereas the families of SOF members carry a unique burden, providing steadfast support amid frequent deployments, high operational tempo, and inherent risks; and

Whereas SOF Week, an annual conference for the international SOF community, will convene May 5 through May 8, 2025: Now, therefore be it

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

3 (1) recognizes the critical importance of the
4 United States Special Operations Forces community
5 to the defense and security of the United States;

1 (2) commits to honoring the skill, dedication,
2 bravery, and selfless service of SOF personnel and
3 their families; and

4 (3) supports the designation of “SOF Week” in
5 appreciation of the courage, commitment, and con-
6 tributions of the SOF community.

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