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H. CON. RES. 145

Expressing congratulations and thanks to United States and NATO troops for successfully bringing peace to Kosovo and halting the brutal ethnic cleansing of Kosovar Albanians.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 29, 1999

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. TURNER, Mr. SPRATT, Ms. CARSON, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELÓ, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. WYNN, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. EVANS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. FROST, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. BOYD, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. DEUTSCH, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. SISISKY) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing congratulations and thanks to United States and NATO troops for successfully bringing peace to Kosovo and halting the brutal ethnic cleansing of Kosovar Albanians.

Whereas the United States sent over 37,000 troops as part of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (“NATO”) deployment to Kosovo;

Whereas 23,259 of these troops operated 723 United States aircraft and prepared for the use of ground force, and 14,238 troops conducted naval and marine operations;

Whereas these troops put their own safety at risk, in order to bring an end to the brutal ethnic cleansing of Kosovar Albanians;

Whereas United States and NATO forces were successful in bringing an end to the brutal ethnic cleansing of Kosovar Albanians in only 11 weeks;

Whereas on June 10, 1999, Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic complied with international demands and withdrew Yugoslav troops from Kosovo;

Whereas on June 10, 1999, NATO suspended air strikes on Yugoslavia and announced a withdrawal of Serbian combat troops from Kosovo and the entry of NATO peace-keeping forces;

Whereas the efforts of United States and NATO troops brought a successful and swift end to the military conflict in Kosovo with an air campaign that did not require the mobilization of ground troops;

Whereas NATO suffered only two noncombat casualties; and

Whereas NATO successfully reached a peace agreement with Yugoslavia that ends all Yugoslav military action over Kosovo and the brutal ethnic cleansing of Kosovar Albanians: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring)*, That the Congress expresses congratulations
- 3 and thanks to United States and North Atlantic Treaty
- 4 Organization troops for courageously fighting for the safe-

- 1 ty and protection of Kosovar Albanians and successfully
- 2 bringing peace to Kosovo.

