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Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the Republic of Turkey's cooperation in the war against terrorism, economic reforms in Turkey, and the economic partnership meetings to be held between the United States and Turkey.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2002

Ms. GRANGER (for herself, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. TANCREDO, and Mr. STEARNS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the Republic of Turkey's cooperation in the war against terrorism, economic reforms in Turkey, and the economic partnership meetings to be held between the United States and Turkey.

Whereas the United States and the Republic of Turkey have long been allies and shared a commitment to preserving peace and stability;

Whereas Turkey has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to the war on terrorism;

Whereas Turkey has faced financial and currency crises and recession since 2000;

Whereas Turkey's fiscal discipline and actions to restore confidence in the banking system have laid the foundation for an economic recovery in Turkey;

Whereas the future growth and prosperity of Turkey depend in large measure on encouraging more foreign investment in Turkey and improving trade relations; and

Whereas the United States is interested in building a broader investment and trading relationship with Turkey: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) recognizes the Republic of Turkey for its
4 steadfast commitment to, and cooperation in, the
5 war against terrorism, including—

6 (A) Turkey's immediate condemnation of
7 the terrorist attacks against the United States
8 that occurred on September 11, 2001;

9 (B) Turkey's offers to the United States of
10 troops, the use of air bases, increased force protection for United States military personnel and
11 equipment in Turkey, and diplomatic overflight
12 clearances;

14 (C) Turkey's deployment of 261 troops to
15 Afghanistan to participate in the initial phase
16 of the International Security Assistance Force;
17 and

1 (D) Turkey's willingness to participate in
2 the leadership of the International Security As-
3 sistance Force and assist the United States in
4 training the new Afghan security forces;

5 (2) commends Turkey for implementing eco-
6 nomic reforms, particularly those which increase pri-
7 vatization and improve the investment climate in
8 Turkey; and

9 (3) supports the economic partnership meetings
10 which are scheduled to be held between the United
11 States and Turkey on February 26 and 27, 2002.

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