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2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. J. RES. 95

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 25, 2002

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Providing for the designation of a Medal of Honor Flag  
and for presentation of that flag to recipients of the  
Medal of Honor.

Whereas the Medal of Honor is the highest award for valor  
in action against an enemy force which can be bestowed  
upon an individual serving in the Armed Forces of the  
United States;

Whereas the Medal of Honor was established by Congress during the Civil War to recognize soldiers who had distinguished themselves by gallantry in action;

Whereas the Medal of Honor was conceived by Senator James Grimes of the State of Iowa in 1861; and

Whereas the Medal of Honor is the Nation's highest military honor, awarded for acts of personal bravery or self-sacrifice above and beyond the call of duty: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF MEDAL OF HONOR FLAG.**

4       (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 9 of title 36, United  
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
6 lowing new section:

7       **“§ 903. Designation of Medal of Honor Flag**

8       “(a) DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
9 design and designate a flag as the Medal of Honor Flag.  
10 In selecting the design for the flag, the Secretary shall  
11 consider designs submitted by the general public.

12       “(b) PRESENTATION.—The Medal of Honor Flag  
13 shall be presented as specified in sections 3755, 6257, and  
14 8755 of title 10 and section 505 of title 14.”.

15       (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
16 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding  
17 at the end the following new item:

“903. Designation of Medal of Honor Flag.”.

1 **SEC. 2. PRESENTATION OF FLAG TO MEDAL OF HONOR RE-**  
 2 **CIPIENTS.**

3 (a) ARMY.—(1) Chapter 357 of title 10, United  
 4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
 5 lowing new section:

6 **“§ 3755. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of**  
 7 **Honor Flag**

8 “The President shall provide for the presentation of  
 9 the Medal of Honor Flag designated under section 903  
 10 of title 36 to each person to whom a medal of honor is  
 11 awarded under section 3741 of this title after the date  
 12 of the enactment of this section. Presentation of the flag  
 13 shall be made at the same time as the presentation of the  
 14 medal under section 3741 or 3752(a) of this title.”.

15 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such  
 16 chapter is amended by adding at the end the following  
 17 new item:

“3755. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of Honor Flag.”.

18 (b) NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.—(1) Chapter 567 of  
 19 such title is amended by adding at the end the following  
 20 new section:

21 **“§ 6257. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of**  
 22 **Honor Flag**

23 “The President shall provide for the presentation of  
 24 the Medal of Honor Flag designated under section 903  
 25 of title 36 to each person to whom a medal of honor is

1 awarded under section 6241 of this title after the date  
 2 of the enactment of this section. Presentation of the flag  
 3 shall be made at the same time as the presentation of the  
 4 medal under section 6241 or 6250 of this title.”.

5 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such  
 6 chapter is amended by adding at the end the following  
 7 new item:

“6257. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of Honor Flag.”.

8 (c) AIR FORCE.—(1) Chapter 857 of title 10, United  
 9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
 10 lowing new section:

11 **“§ 8755. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of**  
 12 **Honor Flag**

13 “The President shall provide for the presentation of  
 14 the Medal of Honor Flag designated under section 903  
 15 of title 36 to each person to whom a medal of honor is  
 16 awarded under section 8741 of this title after the date  
 17 of the enactment of this section. Presentation of the flag  
 18 shall be made at the same time as the presentation of the  
 19 medal under section 8741 or 8752(a) of this title.”.

20 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such  
 21 chapter is amended by adding at the end the following  
 22 new item:

“8755. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of Honor Flag.”.

1 (d) COAST GUARD.—(1) Chapter 13 of title 14,  
 2 United States Code, is amended by inserting after section  
 3 504 the following new section:

4 **“§ 505. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of**  
 5 **Honor Flag**

6 “The President shall provide for the presentation of  
 7 the Medal of Honor Flag designated under section 903  
 8 of title 36 to each person to whom a medal of honor is  
 9 awarded under section 491 of this title after the date of  
 10 the enactment of this section. Presentation of the flag  
 11 shall be made at the same time as the presentation of the  
 12 medal under section 491 or 498 of this title.”.

13 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such  
 14 chapter is amended by inserting after the item relating  
 15 to section 504 the following new item:

“505. Medal of honor: presentation of Medal of Honor Flag.”.

16 (e) PRIOR RECIPIENTS.—The President shall provide  
 17 for the presentation of the Medal of Honor Flag des-  
 18 ignated under section 903 of title 36, United States Code,  
 19 as added by section 1(a), to each person awarded the  
 20 Medal of Honor before the date of the enactment of this  
 21 resolution who is living as of that date. Such presentation  
 22 shall be made as expeditiously as possible after the date

1 of the designation of the Medal of Honor Flag by the Sec-  
2 retary of Defense under such section.

Passed the House of Representatives June 24, 2002.

Attest: JEFF TRANDAHL,  
*Clerk.*