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Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the United States Army Nurse Corps.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. INOUE submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the United States Army Nurse Corps.

Whereas since the War of American Independence, nurses have served the Armed Forces of the United States in peace and in war;

Whereas on February 2, 1901, Congress authorized the establishment of a permanent nurse corps;

Whereas for the past 100 years the United States Army Nurse Corps has served with distinction at home and on distant battlefields;

Whereas over 21,000 Army nurses served in World War I, and many of them were noted in British Army dispatches for their meritorious service;

Whereas in World War II, over 57,000 Army nurses again served with distinction, including 67 who were captured in the Philippines and held as prisoners of war for 3 years before their liberation in February 1945;

Whereas Army nurses served in hostilities in Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, Kuwait, and Somalia;

Whereas Army nurses were there to care for United States soldiers, wherever those soldiers were fighting, thereby winning extraordinary distinction and respect for the Nation and the United States Army;

Whereas on this 100th Anniversary of the United States Army Nurse Corps, nurses in the Army Reserve, the Army National Guard, and the Regular Army are deployed to over 15 countries, including to Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo;

Whereas the motto of Army nurses, “Ready, Caring, Proud” is more than mere words, it is the creed by which the Army nurse lives and serves;

Whereas it is certain that Army nurses, selflessly serving the Nation, will continue to be the credentials of our Army, even though no one can predict the cause, location, or magnitude of future battles; and

Whereas the United States Army Nurse Corps is committed to providing quality care in peace and war, at anytime and in any place: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) recognizes the valor, commitment, and sac-
4 rifice that United States Army nurses have made
5 throughout the history of the Nation;

1 (2) commends the United States Army Nurse
2 Corps for 100 years of selfless service;

3 (3) requests that the President issue a procla-
4 mation recognizing the 100th anniversary of the
5 United States Army Nurse Corps on February 2,
6 2001; and

7 (4) calls upon the people of the United States
8 to observe that anniversary with appropriate cere-
9 monies and activities.

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