H. Res. 598

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

May 4, 2004.

- Whereas there are approximately 750,000 school-aged children of members of the active duty Armed Forces in the United States;
- Whereas there are approximately 650,000 of these military children served in public schools across the United States;
- Whereas there are approximately 100,500 military children served in Department of Defense Education Activity schools in the United States and overseas;
- Whereas schools serving military installations stress the importance of being aware of what is happening in the world and the impact of world events on the lives of military families;
- Whereas schools serving military installations can provide students a sense of safety and reassurance;
- Whereas schools serving military installations understand the importance of providing a normal environment and regular routine for children of parents in the military before learning can ever take place;
- Whereas such schools can offer increased counseling for military children due to the deployment of family members;

- Whereas such schools can offer additional counseling for staff, many of whom are spouses, parents, brothers, and sisters of deployed members of the Armed Forces;
- Whereas schools serving military installations often have additional security measures in place and are continually looking at further security measures for their schools;
- Whereas schools serving military installations serve students whose parents can be deployed for long periods of time and often with short notice;
- Whereas teachers and counselors working in schools serving military installations are trained to work with military children and their classmates when there is a service-related incident or death;
- Whereas school districts surrounding military installations can assist other school districts impacted by National Guard and Reserve deployments with support for students; and
- Whereas the Impact Aid program provides support for military impacted schools in their efforts to serve students: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

- (1) recognizes the contributions of the teachers, administration, and staff of Military Impacted Schools and the Department of Defense Education Activity schools world-wide; and
- (2) commends the teachers in military impacted communities who work on the front lines at home to

educate	students	during	times	of	peace	and	times	of	con-
flict.									

Attest:

Clerk.