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H. RES. 249

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Veterans Affairs should take full responsibility for financing the health care benefits earned by veterans with service-connected disabilities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 17, 2009

Mrs. LUMMIS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Veterans Affairs should take full responsibility for financing the health care benefits earned by veterans with service-connected disabilities.

Whereas the Federal Government has a moral responsibility to provide health care to veterans with service-connected disabilities;

Whereas any abdication of this responsibility constitutes an affront to disabled veterans across the United States; and

Whereas many disabled veterans purchase supplemental insurance coverage for themselves and their families to meet health care needs not covered by the benefits they earned through their military service: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 representatives that—

3 (1) the Department of Veterans Affairs should
4 take full responsibility for financing the health care
5 benefits earned by veterans with service-connected
6 disabilities;

7 (2) the purchasing of supplemental health in-
8 surance by a veteran should not be grounds for re-
9 ducing the Federal Government’s obligation to such
10 veteran; and

11 (3) the Department of Veterans Affairs should
12 not implement policies that discourage disabled vet-
13 erans from purchasing supplemental health insur-
14 ance coverage for themselves and their families.

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