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2D SESSION

H. RES. 624

Expressing support for the designation of the first Saturday in May as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day and for the designation of “Initial Success or Total Failure” as the official motto of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal organizations in the United States Armed Forces.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 19, 2012

Mr. CRAWFORD (for himself and Mrs. DAVIS of California) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the designation of the first Saturday in May as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day and for the designation of “Initial Success or Total Failure” as the official motto of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal organizations in the United States Armed Forces.

Whereas the bomb and mine disposal profession was created in April 1941;

Whereas members of Explosive Ordnance Disposal organizations in the United States Armed Forces perform a dangerous and selfless task, often without recognition, risking their lives on behalf of the United States;

Whereas “Initial Success or Total Failure” is the unofficial motto of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal organizations in the United States Armed Forces and is commonly used throughout their community to reflect the life or death consequences of performing explosive ordnance disposal work;

Whereas the United States will forever be in debt to personnel in the profession of explosive ordnance disposal for their bravery and sacrifice in times of peace and war;

Whereas people in the United States should express their recognition of and gratitude for members of the explosive ordnance disposal profession; and

Whereas the first Saturday in May would be an appropriate date to observe as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the designation of National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day to honor those who are
3 serving and have served in the noble and self-sacrificing profession of Explosive Ordnance Disposal in
4 the United States Armed Forces; and

5 (2) supports the designation of “Initial Success
6 or Total Failure” as the official motto of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal organizations in the United
7 States Armed Forces.
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