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Celebrating the life and achievements of Neil A. Armstrong, a United States patriot who humbly and selflessly served his country, State, and community as a naval aviator, test pilot, astronaut, aeronautical engineer, university professor, and businessman.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2012

Mrs. SCHMIDT (for herself, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. TURNER of Ohio, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. LATTA, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. AUSTRIA, Mr. BOEHNER, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. TIBERI, Ms. SUTTON, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. GIBBS, and Mr. HALL) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

RESOLUTION

Celebrating the life and achievements of Neil A. Armstrong, a United States patriot who humbly and selflessly served his country, State, and community as a naval aviator, test pilot, astronaut, aeronautical engineer, university professor, and businessman.

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong was born on August 5, 1930, in Wapakoneta, Ohio;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong earned his flight certificate at 16 years of age;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong was a Boy Scout and earned the rank of Eagle Scout;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong graduated from Blume High School in 1947;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong served as a naval aviator from 1949 to 1952;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong flew 78 combat missions in the Korean War;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong graduated from Purdue University in 1955 with a Bachelor of Science degree in aeronautical engineering;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong worked for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) in 1955;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong flew over 200 models of aircraft, from gliders to jets, as a research pilot at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) Flight Research Center at Edwards Air Force Base, California;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong joined the NASA Astronaut Corp in 1962;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong was assigned as the command pilot for the Gemini 8 mission, which was launched on March 16, 1966;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong, as the command pilot for the Gemini 8 mission, became the first person to successfully navigate the docking of two vehicles in space;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong was assigned as the spacecraft commander for the Apollo 11 mission, which was launched on July 16, 1969, and which was the first manned lunar landing mission;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong, as the spacecraft commander for the Apollo 11 mission, became the first person, on July 20, 1969, to step onto the lunar surface;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong, upon becoming the first person to walk on the moon uttered those famous words, “That’s one small step for [a] man, one giant leap for mankind”;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong graduated from the University of Southern California in 1970 with a Master of Science degree in aerospace engineering;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong served as the Deputy Associate Administrator for Aeronautics in the Office of Advanced Research and Technology, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong served NACA and its successor agency, NASA, as an aeronautical engineer, test pilot, astronaut, and administrator;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong taught at the University of Cincinnati from 1971 to 1979 as a Professor of Aerospace Engineering;

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong served as the chairman of Computing Technologies for Aviation, Inc. in Charlottesville, Virginia, from 1982 to 1992; and

Whereas Neil A. Armstrong was the recipient of many awards and honors, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the Congressional Gold Medal, the Congressional Space Medal of Honor, and the NASA Distinguished Service Medal: Now, therefore, be it

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 4 country, State, and community as a naval aviator, test

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