

113TH CONGRESS
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H. CON. RES. 98

Urging the President to immediately request the resignation of Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FARENTHOLD submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Urging the President to immediately request the resignation of Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki.

Whereas Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki is assigned to provide the Nation's veterans the quality of care and benefits they deserve and have earned;

Whereas Secretary Shinseki's poor oversight and failed leadership has led to the tragic and avoidable deaths of some of the Nation's veterans;

Whereas officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs revealed inexcusable delays in providing emergency health care to the Nation's veterans;

Whereas Secretary Shinseki has shown ineffectiveness and a lack of transparency as the top official at the Department of Veterans Affairs;

Whereas the clerks at the Department of Veterans Affairs were instructed how to falsify appointment records to meet agency goals;

Whereas Secretary Shinseki has displayed an unwillingness or inability to change the culture of falsifying documents at the Department of Veterans Affairs;

Whereas Secretary Shinseki has failed to implement modern age technology to reduce backlogs in veterans' claims;

Whereas reports indicate that the Department of Veterans Affairs has paid out more than \$200,000,000 in wrongful-death claims to the families of nearly 1,000 veterans since September 11, 2001; and

Whereas veterans have earned the right to have timely access to quality healthcare: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That Congress urges the President, in light
 3 of these aforementioned failures, to immediately request
 4 the resignation of Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric
 5 Shinseki.

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