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Recognizing the soldiers of the 14th Quartermaster Detachment of the United States Army Reserve, who were killed or wounded in their barracks by an Iraqi SCUD missile attack in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm, on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the attack.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 25, 2016

Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MARINO, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. ROTHFUS, Mr. DENT, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. PERRY, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. PITTS, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. REED) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing the soldiers of the 14th Quartermaster Detachment of the United States Army Reserve, who were killed or wounded in their barracks by an Iraqi SCUD missile attack in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm, on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the attack.

Whereas 217,000 members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces served alongside 470,000 members of the

regular components of the Armed Forces during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas the Army Reserve in Pennsylvania played crucial roles in Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas 69 soldiers of the 14th Quartermaster Detachment of the United States Army Reserve, stationed in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, were deployed to Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Storm, while supporting operations to liberate the people of Kuwait and defend the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in 1991;

Whereas the unit was deployed to assist with water purification efforts in the final days of the Persian Gulf War;

Whereas the barracks of the unit in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, were attacked by an Iraqi-launched SCUD missile;

Whereas 13 soldiers from the 14th Quartermaster Detachment were killed, and 43 wounded, in the attack;

Whereas the attack represented the deadliest attack on Americans during the Persian Gulf War, killing a total of 28 soldiers and wounding 99;

Whereas the unit suffered the greatest number of casualties of any allied unit during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Steven E. Atherton, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Nurmine, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist John A. Boliver, Jr., 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Monongahela, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Sergeant Joseph P. Bongiorno III, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Hickory, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Sergeant John T. Boxler, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Beverly S. Clark, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Armagh, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving her country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Sergeant Allen B. Craver, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Penn Hills, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Frank S. Keough, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Anthony E. Madison, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Monessen, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Christine L. Mayes, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Rochester Mills, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving her country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Steven J. Siko, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Latrobe, Pennsylvania, was killed on Feb-

ruary 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Thomas G. Stone, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Falconer, New York, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Sergeant Frank J. Walls, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Hawthorne, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm;

Whereas Specialist Richard V. Wolverton, 14th Quartermaster Detachment, of Latrobe, Pennsylvania, was killed on February 25, 1991, while loyally serving his country during Operation Desert Storm; and

Whereas this year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the meritorious service of these Pennsylvanians, and others in Pennsylvania-based units, which contributed to the liberation of the people of Kuwait and the defense of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That Congress—

3 (1) recognizes the tremendous sacrifice and
4 dedicated, selfless service of Pennsylvanians during
5 Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert
6 Storm;

7 (2) honors the 13 soldiers of the 14th Quarter-
8 master Detachment of the United States Army Re-
9 serve who were killed in action on February 25,
10 1991, in the attack on Dhahran, Saudi Arabia;

1 (3) honors the 43 soldiers of the 14th Quarter-
2 master Detachment of the United States Army Re-
3 serve who were wounded during the attack;

4 (4) pledges its gratitude and support to the
5 families of these soldiers; and

6 (5) encourages the people of the United States
7 to commemorate and honor the role and contribution
8 of Pennsylvanians and Pennsylvania-based units of
9 the Army National Guard, the Army Reserve, the
10 Marine Corps Reserve, the Navy Reserve, the Air
11 National Guard, and the Air Force Reserve who
12 supported Operation Desert Shield and Operation
13 Desert Storm.

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