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Welcoming Mr. Muhammad Nawaz Sharif, Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, on his official visit to the United States in October 2015.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself and Mr. PITTS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Welcoming Mr. Muhammad Nawaz Sharif, Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, on his official visit to the United States in October 2015.

Whereas Mr. Muhammad Nawaz Sharif, Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, will undertake an official visit to the United States in October 2015;

Whereas the people of Pakistan have consistently aspired to democracy and rule of law;

Whereas Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif is a democratically elected leader of Pakistan and is a symbol of the first successful democratic transition in Pakistani history;

Whereas Pakistanis have been victim of attacks by Al-Qaida and other terrorist networks and more than 50,000 Pakistanis have lost their lives in these attacks;

Whereas terrorists have also targeted schools, including the Army Public School, where 140 school children were killed in a gruesome attack in December 2014;

Whereas Pakistan has undertaken successful military operations against militants in the border areas at a huge material and human cost;

Whereas Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif is leading implementation of a National Action Plan to defeat terrorism so that all Pakistani communities, including religious and ethnic minorities, can live safely;

Whereas there are tremendous opportunities to enhance people-to-people exchanges between Pakistan and the United States through trade, education, and development; and

Whereas over the past decade the United States has extended support and assistance to Pakistan to meet its security and economic challenges: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) welcomes Mr. Muhammad Nawaz Sharif,
4 Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, on
5 his official visit to the United States in October
6 2015;

7 (2) expresses solidarity with the people of Paki-
8 stan in their struggle against terrorism;

9 (3) supports strengthening of the democratic
10 process in Pakistan;

11 (4) reaffirms friendship and strategic partner-
12 ship with a democratic Pakistan; and

1 (5) encourages and supports ongoing coopera-
2 tion between the United States and Pakistan in a
3 range of areas, including security, economic develop-
4 ment, strengthening of democratic institutions, edu-
5 cation, and trade.

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