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H. CON. RES. 221

Honoring all Americans serving in the Armed Forces of the United States and condemning the attack by broadcaster Rush Limbaugh on the integrity and professionalism of some of those Americans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 1, 2007

Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Ms. HOOLEY, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. FATAH, Mr. STARK, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. DOYLE, Ms. WATSON, and Ms. CLARKE) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Honoring all Americans serving in the Armed Forces of the United States and condemning the attack by broadcaster Rush Limbaugh on the integrity and professionalism of some of those Americans.

Whereas on September 26, 2007, the broadcaster Rush Limbaugh told a nationwide radio audience that members of the Armed Forces who have expressed disagreement with current policies of the United States regarding military activities in Iraq are “phony soldiers”; and

Whereas such a description constitutes an unwarranted slur on the integrity and professionalism of members of the

Armed Forces who exercise their constitutional right to express their opinions regarding public policy in a manner consistent with good order and discipline: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 SECTION 1. Congress makes the following findings:

4 (1) Americans serving in the United States
5 Armed Forces have volunteered for such service and
6 have not been drafted for that purpose.

7 (2) Those who serve in the Armed Forces de-
8 serve the respect of all Americans for their willing-
9 ness to undertake that service.

10 (3) Those who serve in the Armed Forces do
11 not relinquish their constitutional right to express
12 their opinions regarding public policy in a manner
13 consistent with good order and discipline.

14 (4) The dedication and honor of Americans
15 serving in the Armed Forces should not be im-
16 pugned because of their exercise of such right.

17 SEC. 2. Congress—

18 (1) recognizes the service of all members of the
19 Armed Forces serving in good standing and with
20 honor to defend the United States, and the personal
21 sacrifices made by them and their families;

1 (2) commits to judge the merits of the opinions
2 of members of the Armed Forces regarding the poli-
3 cies of the United States, including those related to
4 military actions in Iraq, without prejudice or per-
5 sonal bias, including refraining from unwarranted
6 personal attacks;

7 (3) condemns in the strongest possible terms
8 the personal attacks made by the broadcaster Rush
9 Limbaugh impugning the integrity and profes-
10 sionalism of Americans serving in the Armed Forces
11 who have expressed opinions regarding military ac-
12 tions in Iraq;

13 (4) honors all members of the Armed Forces
14 and civilian personnel serving in harm's way, as well
15 as their families; and

16 (5) pledges to debate any supplemental funding
17 request or any policy decisions regarding the war in
18 Iraq with the solemn respect and the commitment to
19 integrity that the sacrifices of these members of the
20 Armed Forces and civilian personnel deserve.

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