## 109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. CON. RES. 125

Expressing support for the designation and goals of "Hire a Veteran Week" and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 6, 2005

Mr. Holt (for himself, Mr. Brown of South Carolina, Mr. Serrano, Ms. Carson, Mr. Tanner, Mr. Wynn, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Owens, Mr. Wexler, Mr. McDermott, Mr. McCaul of Texas, Mr. Baker, Mr. Lipinski, Mrs. McCarthy, Mr. Green of Wisconsin, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Wilson of South Carolina, Mr. Van Hollen, Mr. Foley, Mr. Case, Mr. Filner, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Dicks, Mr. Holden, Mrs. Christensen, Ms. Woolsey, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Evans, Mr. Michaud, Mr. Cummings, Mrs. Maloney, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Bachus, and Mr. Fortuño) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Expressing support for the designation and goals of "Hire a Veteran Week" and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals.

Whereas the people of the United States have a sincere appreciation and respect for the military personnel who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States;

Whereas veterans possess special qualities and skills that make them ideal candidates for employment, but many veterans encounter difficulties in securing employment;

Whereas it would be inconsistent, inconsiderate, and contrary to the economic competitiveness of the United States to neglect the post-military needs of the military personnel who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States;

Whereas many of the brave men and women who have served the United States so gallantly and selflessly in the war on terrorism and the war in Iraq since September 11, 2001, are beginning to return home to be reunited with their loved ones and will be re-entering the workforce or searching for their first jobs outside of military service; and

Whereas the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Labor, the Office of Personnel Management, and many State and local governments administer veterans programs and have veterans employment representatives both to ensure that veterans receive the services to which they are entitled and to promote employer interest in hiring veterans: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
- 2 concurring), That Congress—
- 3 (1) recognizes the importance of the men and
- 4 women who have served or who currently serve in
- 5 the Armed Forces of the United States;
- 6 (2) supports the designation of an appropriate
- 7 week as "Hire a Veteran Week"; and

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(3) encourages the President to issue a procla-2 mation calling upon employers, labor organizations, veterans service organizations, and Federal, State, and local governmental agencies (including such agencies in the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and any other territory or possession of the United States) to lend their support to increase employment of the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States. 10

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