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Order of Business: The resolution is scheduled to be considered today, June 18th, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill.

Summary: H.Con.Res. 364 would resolve that Congress:

- “recognizes the historic significance of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the United States Army Special Forces;
- “honors the ‘Father of the Special Forces,’ Colonel Aaron Bank (United States Army, retired) of Mission Viejo, California, for his role in establishing the United States Army Special Forces;
- “recognizes the sacrifices and accomplishments of United States Army Special Forces soldiers and of all other special operations soldiers in the Armed Forces;
- “expresses deep gratitude for the continuing sacrifices of United States Army Special Forces soldiers and of all other special operations soldiers in the Armed Forces now fighting throughout the world in defense of the freedoms challenged by the heinous events of September 11, 2001; and
- “honors the sacrifices made by United States Army Special Forces soldiers who have trained hard and acquitted themselves with honor by serving valiantly in battle, with many making the ultimate sacrifice to their country, many times in missions so secret that their valor may never be fully acknowledged.”

Additional Background: According to the resolution, on June 22, 2002, the Special Forces Association will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the first permanent special forces unit in the United States Army.

Cost to Taxpayers: The resolution would authorize no expenditure.

Does the Bill Create New Federal Programs or Rules?: No.

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