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## Honor Military Impacted Schools Cosponsor H.Res. 598

Dear Colleague:

I urge you to join me as a cosponsor of the attached resolution honoring the teachers, administrators, and staff of military impacted schools.

Just like many of their students' parents, the teachers at military impacted schools across the country report for duty each day ready to serve, but with an added mission: keep each school day as normal as possible for students who often have much more on their minds than learning.

Every day approximately 750,000 school-aged children of members of the active duty Armed Forces are at school, tasked with concentrating on their studies, and faced with the reality that their mom or dad may be serving in a danger zone.

650,000 of these students are served by talented and caring teachers in our nation's public schools near our military bases, while an additional 100,500 military children are served in Department of Defense Education Activity schools stateside and overseas.

Additionally, schools across the country that may not be near a military installation but are homes to children of National Guard and Reservists are caring for families as these troops are deployed, joining the remaining parent or caretaker in supporting the academic and emotional needs of students.

This resolution simply thanks these outstanding teachers, administration, and staff for their continued extra efforts during this challenging time for our country.

May 2-8 has been designated National Teacher Appreciation Week by the National PTA. In anticipation of this celebration, join me in telling these dedicated professionals that we appreciate their service to our country, and our country's armed forces and their families.

To become a cosponsor, please contact Jana Weir at [Jana.Weir@mail.house.gov](mailto:Jana.Weir@mail.house.gov) or 225-3715.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robin".

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