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109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. CON. RES. _____

Commending the Government of Canada for its renewed commitment to
the Global War on Terror.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BURTON of Indiana submitted the following concurrent resolution; which
was referred to the Committee on _____

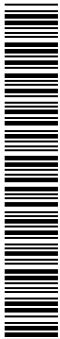
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Commending the Government of Canada for its renewed
commitment to the Global War on Terror.

Whereas twenty-four Canadian citizens were killed as a result
of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the
United States;

Whereas Canada has provided humanitarian, diplomatic, and
security personnel on the invitation of the Government of
Afghanistan since 2001;

Whereas Canada has contributed \$650,000,000 in develop-
ment aid to Afghanistan;



Whereas Afghanistan is Canada's largest recipient of bilateral development aid;

Whereas Canada has stationed 2,300 defense personnel who compromise Task Force Afghanistan, in order to improve security in southern Afghanistan, which encompasses the major Afghan city of Kandahar;

Whereas Canada has over 70 diplomatic officers who are dedicated to growing democracy and equality in Afghanistan;

Whereas seventeen Canadians made the ultimate sacrifice in the Global War on Terror;

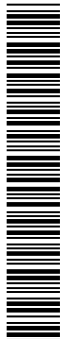
Whereas Canada's commitment to the Government of Afghanistan, under the leadership of Prime Minister Hamid Karzai, was due to expire in February 2007;

Whereas on May 17, 2006, the Canadian Government led by Prime Minister Stephen Harper requested that the Canadian House of Commons extend Canada's commitment in the Global War on Terror;

Whereas on May 17, 2006, the Canadian Parliament voted to extend peace and security operations in Afghanistan until 2009, to increase its development assistance by \$310 million, and to build a permanent and secure embassy in Afghanistan; and

Whereas this was the latest sign of the renewed commitment of numerous United States allies in the Global War on Terror: Now, therefore, be it

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



1 (1) commends the Government of Canada for
2 its renewed and long-term commitment to the Global
3 War on Terror;

4 (2) commends the leadership of Canadian
5 Prime Minister Stephen Harper for his steadfast
6 commitment to democracy, human rights, and free-
7 dom throughout the world;

8 (3) commends the Government of Canada for
9 working to secure a democratic and equal Afghani-
10 stan;

11 (4) commends the Government of Canada's
12 commitment to reducing poverty, combating nar-
13 cotics, and ensuring a peaceful and terror-free Af-
14 ghanistan.

15 (5) commends the Government of Canada for
16 its three-pronged commitment to Afghanistan: diplo-
17 macy, development, and defense; and

18 (6) expresses the gratitude and appreciation of
19 the United States for Canada's enduring friendship
20 and leadership in the Global War on Terror.

