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## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the lives of Mr. Christopher Stevens, Mr. Tyrone Woods,  
2 Mr. Glen Doherty and Mr. Sean Smith, who made the supreme  
3 sacrifice for their colleagues and their country during an  
4 assault on the United States consulate in Benghazi, Libya.

5 WHEREAS, On September 11, 2012, a group of gunmen launched an  
6 hours-long attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi,  
7 Libya; and

8 WHEREAS, The attack claimed the lives of Christopher Stevens,  
9 Tyrone Woods, Glen Doherty and Sean Smith, among others; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Christopher Stevens served as United States  
11 Ambassador to Libya and earned a legendary reputation in the  
12 country for his bravery and loyalty; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Stevens was a career foreign service officer and  
14 was a courageous and exemplary representative of the United

1 States; and

2 WHEREAS, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, who swore  
3 in Mr. Stevens to his ambassadorship after the revolution in  
4 Libya, stated that Mr. Stevens risked his life daily for the  
5 Libyan people and that "the world needs more Chris Stevens";  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Tyrone Woods was a former Navy SEAL who provided  
8 security for American diplomats around the world and, according  
9 to his mother, Cheryl Bennett, "thrived on adrenaline and  
10 excitement and danger"; and

11 WHEREAS, The State Department said that Mr. Woods "had the  
12 hands of a healer as well as the arm of a warrior"; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Glen Doherty was a former Navy SEAL whose  
14 bravery and resolve in the face of danger was never in question  
15 and who worked to track down and destroy dangerous weapons in  
16 Libya; and

17 WHEREAS, Friend and former Navy SEAL Mike Ritland stated that  
18 Mr. Doherty was "a true American hero in every essence of the  
19 word" and that he "embodied the selfless spirit, unwavering  
20 determination to succeed and dedication to our country that sets  
21 the standard for what every American should strive to be"; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Sean Smith was an Air Force veteran who served  
23 as an information management officer for the United States State  
24 Department; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was skilled at online gaming and was well-  
26 known in the gaming world; and

27 WHEREAS, Secretary of State Clinton described Mr. Smith as  
28 "one of our best"; and

29 WHEREAS, President Barack Obama described the men as "four  
30 Americans, four patriots, [who] loved their country and chose to

1 serve it and serve it well" and he stated that the men "didn't  
2 simply embrace the American ideal, they lived it, they embodied  
3 it; the courage, the hope and, yes, the idealism"; and

4 WHEREAS, It is fitting to recognize the lives of these brave  
5 men and the contributions that they made to their country and  
6 their world; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the lives  
8 of Mr. Christopher Stevens, Mr. Tyrone Woods, Mr. Glen Doherty  
9 and Mr. Sean Smith, who made the supreme sacrifice for their  
10 colleagues and their country during an assault on the United  
11 States consulate in Benghazi, Libya.