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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the courage, heroism and sacrifice of war dogs.
- WHEREAS, Over the course of our nation's military history,
- 3 tens of thousands of war dogs served during World War II, Korea,
- 4 Vietnam, the Gulf War, Bosnia, Kosovo peacekeeping operations
- 5 and coalition operations in Afghanistan and Iraq; and
- 6 WHEREAS, These war dogs were specially trained for jobs like
- 7 scout, sentry, tracker, mine and booby trap detection, tunnel,
- 8 water patrol, coast guard, messenger, search and rescue,
- 9 explosive detection and drug detection; and
- 10 WHEREAS, America's military war dog teams have a long and
- 11 legendary history of courage, heroism and sacrifice on thousands
- 12 of foreign fields of battle and are credited with saving

- 1 countless numbers of lives of Americans, allies and
- 2 nomcombatants; and
- 3 WHEREAS, War dogs have significantly reduced the enemy's
- 4 capacity to sabotage or destroy war equipment worth billions of
- 5 dollars; and
- 6 WHEREAS, War dogs work for food, water and the love, loyalty
- 7 and bond of their handlers; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Thousands of war dogs with names like Stubby, Chips,
- 9 Prince, Rolf, Rip, Clipper, Duke, Lady, Flop, Erich, London,
- 10 Rebel, Sarge, Kelly, Tiger, Smokey, Missy, Roger, Teddy,
- 11 Troubles and Dutch never returned from their duty in harm's way;
- 12 and
- WHEREAS, The National War Dog Team Memorial is currently
- 14 being crafted for permanent display in Washington, DC; therefore
- 15 be it
- 16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 17 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania commend the efforts of war dogs;
- 18 and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives offer its humble
- 20 gratitude for the heroic duties, great feats and sacrifice war
- 21 dogs have made as the American serviceperson's auxiliary and
- 22 best friend.