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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, OCTOBER 16, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Reaffirming support for the United States Armed Forces and
2 condemning recent personal attacks upon General David H.
3 Petraeus by MoveOn.org.

4 WHEREAS, The United States Senate unanimously confirmed
5 General David H. Petraeus as Commanding General, Multi-National
6 Force-Iraq, by a vote of 81-0 on January 26, 2007; and

7 WHEREAS, General Petraeus graduated first in his class at the
8 United States Army Command and General Staff College; and

9 WHEREAS, General Petraeus earned a master's degree in public
10 administration and a doctoral degree in international relations
11 from Princeton University; and

12 WHEREAS, General Petraeus has served multiple combat tours in
13 Iraq, including command of the 101st Airborne Division (Air
14 Assault) during combat operations throughout the first year of
15 Operation Iraqi Freedom, which tours included both major combat

1 operations and subsequent stability and support operations; and

2 WHEREAS, General Petraeus supervised the development and
3 crafting of the United States Army and Marine Corps
4 counterinsurgency manual based in large measure on his combat
5 experience in Iraq, scholarly study and other professional
6 experiences; and

7 WHEREAS, General Petraeus has taken a solemn oath to protect
8 and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; and

9 WHEREAS, During his 35-year career, General Petraeus has
10 amassed a distinguished and unvarnished record of military
11 service to the United States as recognized by his receipt of a
12 Defense Distinguished Service Medal, two Distinguished Service
13 Medals, two Defense Superior Service Medals, four Legions of
14 Merit, the Bronze Star Medal for valor, the State Department
15 Superior Honor Award, the NATO Meritorious Service Medal and
16 other awards and medals; and

17 WHEREAS, A recent attack through a full-page advertisement in
18 the New York Times by the liberal activist group MoveOn.org
19 impugns the honor and integrity of General Petraeus and all the
20 members of the United States Armed Forces; and

21 WHEREAS, On September 26, 2007, the United States House voted
22 341-79 to express support for General Petraeus and the armed
23 forces; and

24 WHEREAS, On September 20, 2007, the United States Senate
25 voted to express the sense of the Senate by a vote of 72-25; and

26 WHEREAS, The entire Pennsylvania delegation voted in the
27 affirmative expressing their support for General Petraeus and
28 the men and women of the United States Armed Forces; therefore
29 be it

30 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives reaffirm its

1 support for all the men and women of the United States Armed
2 Forces, including General David H. Petraeus, Commanding General,
3 Multi-National Force-Iraq; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives strongly condemn
5 any effort to attack the honor and integrity of General Petraeus
6 and all members of the United States Armed Forces; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives specifically
9 repudiate the unwarranted personal attack on General Petraeus by
10 the liberal activist group MoveOn.org.