

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 7, 2013

To recognize the service and sacrifice of all American veterans, as well as those still in active military service, residing in the District of Columbia and beyond, and to memorialize those individuals from the District who lost their lives in the United States conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

WHEREAS, the service and dedication of members of the armed forces of the United States of America has been and continues to be of vital importance to the safety and prosperity of the United States of America, and the importance of the work done by the men and women in uniform can never be overestimated;

WHEREAS, numerous American citizens, including residents of the District of Columbia, have sacrificed their lives in service to their country;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia proudly boasts a population of almost 20,000 individuals serving or ready to serve in the armed forces, and another 16,000 providing civilian support for the whole of the military;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has lost 10 men and women during the recent United States conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day, May 27, 2013, gives the citizens of the United States an opportunity to honor, reflect upon, and remember the service of members of the armed forces.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the, "Armed Forces Recognition and Commemoration Resolution of 2013".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the hard work and sacrifice of the armed forces of the United States of America, and dedicates a plaque in memory of those residents of the District of Columbia who gave their lives in service to their country in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.