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Acknowledging the courage and sacrifice of veterans of the Korean War
and Korean Defense Veterans.

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Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida (for herself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. WALTZ, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Ms. LEE of Nevada, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. WITTMAN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

RESOLUTION

Acknowledging the courage and sacrifice of veterans of the
Korean War and Korean Defense Veterans.

Whereas, on June 25, 1950, North Korea invaded the Republic of Korea with approximately 135,000 troops to initiate the Korean War;

Whereas nearly 1,800,000 members of the United States Armed Forces served along with the forces of the Republic of Korea and 20 other allied nations under the United Nations Command to defend freedom and democracy in the Korean Peninsula;

Whereas the United States suffered 36,574 dead and 103,284 wounded during the Korean War in some of the most horrific conditions in the history of warfare;

Whereas 70 years have passed since the signing of the cease-fire agreement at Panmunjom on July 27, 1953, and the Korean Peninsula still technically remains in a state of war;

Whereas, known as “Korean Defense Veterans”, nearly 25,000 United States soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines remain stationed in South Korea to continue protecting democracy, and hundreds of these brave servicemembers have tragically perished in their efforts to preserve the armistice;

Whereas the Korean War has become a “Forgotten War” for many Americans;

Whereas many members of the Armed Forces who fought in the Korean War returned home without the fanfare that greeted the heroes of World Wars I and II;

Whereas veterans of the Korean War and Korean Defense Veterans deserve to be recognized by all Americans for their honorable service during and after the Korean War in defense of democracy and freedom; and

Whereas the people of the United States and the Republic of Korea are eternally grateful to the veterans of the Korean War and Korean Defense Veterans: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
- 2 nizes the importance of the contributions and sacrifices
- 3 made by the veterans of the Korean War and Korean De-
- 4 fense Veterans.

