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Expressing the sense of Congress concerning the appropriate level of funding for Department of Veterans Affairs research programs for fiscal year 1994.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. ROWLAND, Mr. STUMP, Mr. GILMAN, and Mr. BACHUS of Alabama) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas medical research carried out by the Department of Veterans Affairs has a direct effect on the quality of medical care provided to veterans, both through advances in medical treatment and technology and through recruitment and retention of qualified physicians;

Whereas more than half of all practicing physicians in the United States have had some part of their training in the Department of Veterans Affairs health care system, even though Department hospitals account for only 10 percent of all United States teaching hospitals;

Whereas Department of Veterans Affairs medical research has been at the forefront of medical advances in diagnostics, therapeutics, and prosthetics, benefiting not only veterans but society as a whole; and

Whereas at the fiscal year 1994 budget request level of \$206,000,000, the Department of Veterans Affairs medical research program would not be able to fund any new research projects for the second year in a row and would require major reductions in ongoing programs: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that the
3 amount appropriated for the Department of Veterans Af-
4 fairs Medical and Prosthetic Research account for fiscal
5 year 1994 should be no less than the amount appropriated
6 for that account for fiscal year 1993 plus inflation.

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