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Declaring the “Person of the Century” for the 20th century to have been
the American G.I.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HAYES submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred
to the Committee on Armed Services

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas the 20th century was a century of conflict between
forces of totalitarianism and dictatorship and forces of
democracy and freedom;

Whereas American soldiers, sailors, airmen, and Marines,
(collectively referred to as “G.I.’s”) fought, bled, and
died in a number of conflicts during the 20th century, in-
cluding two World Wars, to secure peace and freedom
around the world;

Whereas in large measure due to the heroic efforts of the
American G.I. more people around the world enjoy the
benefits of freedom at the end of the 20th century than
at any other time in history;

Whereas at the end of the 20th century numerous organizations and publications sought to identify and designate a “Person of the Century” based upon achievements and contributions during that century; and

Whereas in light of the accomplishments of the Armed Forces of the United States during that century both in defeating the forces of tyranny and dictatorship and in embodying a sense of honor, decency, and respect for mankind, it is appropriate that the American G.I. be recognized as the single most significant force affecting the course of the 20th century: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That Congress hereby declares the “Person
 3 of the Century” for the 20th century to have been the
 4 American G.I.

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