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Recognizing, appreciating, and remembering with dignity and respect the Native American men and women who have served the United States in military service.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LEVIN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing, appreciating, and remembering with dignity and respect the Native American men and women who have served the United States in military service.

Whereas it is necessary to recognize, appreciate, assist, and remember the Native American men and women who have served the United States in military service;

Whereas Native American men and women have served the United States armed forces in every military campaign since the American Revolutionary War;

Whereas some tribes, notably the Ottawa Nation, sent a special company of warriors to serve in the Civil War with the Michigan Sharpshooters and the Ottawa Warriors of Company K were highly decorated for their brave actions in that military action;

Whereas some tribes, notably the Ottawa Nation, sent their finest warriors to serve in the Spanish American War and one of their warriors distinguished himself in the cavalry with Teddy Roosevelt on San Juan Hill;

Whereas some tribes, notably Ottawa, Chippewa, and Potawatomi answered the warrior call from within and served in great numbers in World War I even though they were not accepted as citizens of this country at that time;

Whereas the Navajo Code Talkers as well as other tribes, including the Ottawa and Chippewa, used their sacred languages to assist our country in World War II;

Whereas these sacred languages were also used to assist the United States efforts in the Korean war and the Vietnam conflict during which Native American veterans distinguished themselves with their bravery;

Whereas Native American veterans served in operations Desert Storm and Desert Shield; and

Whereas Native Americans have served in the United States military in numbers that far exceed their representation in the United States population: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring)*, That the Congress recognizes, appreciates,
- 3 and remembers with dignity and respect the service to the
- 4 United States of Native American veterans.

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