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# H. RES. 211

Recognizing and commending the members of the Navy and Marine Corps who served on the USS Abraham Lincoln and welcoming them home from their recent mission abroad.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 30, 2003

Mr. LARSEN of Washington (for himself, Mr. DICKS, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. SKELTON, Ms. DUNN, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. BAIRD, and Mr. INSLEE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## RESOLUTION

Recognizing and commending the members of the Navy and Marine Corps who served on the USS Abraham Lincoln and welcoming them home from their recent mission abroad.

Whereas the USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72) is the United States' fifth Nimitz-class aircraft carrier and has its homeport at Naval Station Everett in Washington;

Whereas the USS Abraham Lincoln serves as home to 5,000 brave members of the Navy and Marine Corps and carries approximately 70 combat and support aircraft;

Whereas the USS Abraham Lincoln is scheduled to return to its homeport on May 6, 2003, after nearly ten months on

deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Southern Watch;

Whereas the deployment of the USS Abraham Lincoln was the longest for a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier since 1973;

Whereas, in December 2002, the USS Abraham Lincoln completed a six-month deployment in the Persian Gulf conducting operations in support of the Global War on Terrorism and was returning to its homeport when it was ordered back to the Persian Gulf in January 2003 to support what was to become Operation Iraqi Freedom;

Whereas during the nearly ten-month deployment of the USS Abraham Lincoln, there were 12,700 takeoffs and trap landings, 16,500 sorties, 265,118 pounds of ordinance expended during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Southern Watch, and 1,600,000 pounds of ordinance expended during Operation Iraqi Freedom;

Whereas the deployment of the USS Abraham Lincoln featured numerous firsts, including the first use of the Super Hornet and the first operational availability of the “Man Overboard Indicator” onboard the USS Abraham Lincoln;

Whereas the citizens of the City of Everett, the County of Snohomish, the State of Washington, and the United States are proud of the members of the Navy and Marine Corps who serve on the USS Abraham Lincoln: Now, therefore, be it

- 1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
- 2 nizes and commends the members of the Navy and Marine

- 1 Corps who serve on the USS Abraham Lincoln and wel-
- 2 comes them home from their recent mission abroad.

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