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# S. RES. 200

Expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should adopt a conference agreement on the child tax credit and on tax relief for military personnel.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 25 (legislative day, JULY 21), 2003

Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CORZINE, and Mr. LEAHY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Finance

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## RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should adopt a conference agreement on the child tax credit and on tax relief for military personnel.

Whereas the Department of the Treasury will begin sending refund checks to taxpayers reflecting the increase in the child tax credit from \$600 to \$1,000 for 2003;

Whereas over 6,500,000 working families earning between \$10,500 and \$26,625, which include over 12,000,000 children, will not receive an increase in the child tax credit or a refund check;

Whereas nearly 150,000 United States soldiers are in Iraq sacrificing their lives to ensure freedom for Iraqi citizens;

Whereas of the 300,000 soldiers in combat zones throughout the world, 192,000 will have an earned income below \$26,625;

Whereas many military families, which include 1,000,000 children, will not be eligible for the child tax credit unless the Senate Amendment to H.R. 1308 is enacted; and

Whereas many military personnel serving in combat zones and many working families would be eligible for the child tax credit under the Senate Amendment to H.R. 1308: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate that—

2               (1) the committee of conference between the  
3       Senate and House of Representatives on H.R. 1308  
4       should agree to a conference report before the Au-  
5       gust recess;

6               (2) any conference report on H.R. 1308 should  
7       contain the provisions in the Senate Amendment to  
8       H.R. 1308 concerning the refundability of the child  
9       tax credit;

10              (3) any conference report on H.R. 1308 should  
11      contain the provisions in the Senate Amendment to  
12      H.R. 1308 concerning the availability of the child  
13      tax credit for military families;

14              (4) any conference report on H.R. 1308 should  
15      contain the provisions in the Armed Forces Tax  
16      Fairness Act of 2003; and

- 1           (5) any conference report on H.R. 1308 should
- 2           contain provisions to fully offset its cost.

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