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H. RES. 644

Reaffirming the commitment of the House of Representatives to respecting the independent and professional reputation of General David H. Petraeus and all members of the United States Armed Forces serving in good standing in the defense of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

Mr. BOEHNER (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. McCOTTER, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. CARTER, Mr. HUNTER, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. DREIER, Mr. UPTON, Mr. POE, and Mr. SAXTON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Reaffirming the commitment of the House of Representatives to respecting the independent and professional reputation of General David H. Petraeus and all members of the United States Armed Forces serving in good standing in the defense of the United States.

Whereas General David H. Petraeus was confirmed by a unanimous vote of 81–0 in the Senate on January 26, 2007, to be the Commander of the Multi-National Forces—Iraq;

Whereas General David H. Petraeus assumed command of the Multi-National Forces—Iraq on February 10, 2007;

Whereas General David H. Petraeus previously served in Operation Iraqi Freedom as the Commander of the Multi-National Security Transition Command—Iraq, as the Commander of the NATO Training Mission—Iraq, and as Commander of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) during the first year of combat operations in Iraq;

Whereas General David H. Petraeus has received numerous awards and distinctions during his career, including the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, two awards of the Distinguished Service Medal, two awards of the Defense Superior Service Medal, four awards of the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal for valor, the State Department Superior Honor Award, the NATO Meritorious Service Medal, and the Gold Award of the Iraqi Order of the Date Palm; and

Whereas the leadership of the majority party in both the House of Representatives and the Senate implored the American people and Members of Congress early in January 2007 to listen to the generals on the ground: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) recognizes the service of General David H.
 3 Petraeus, as well as all other members of the Armed
 4 Forces serving in good standing, in the defense of
 5 the United States and the personal sacrifices made
 6 by General Petraeus and his family, and other mem-
 7 bers of the Armed Forces and their families, to serve
 8 with distinction and honor;

1 (2) commits to judge the merits of the sworn
2 testimony of General David H. Petraeus without
3 prejudice or personal bias, including refraining from
4 unwarranted personal attacks;

5 (3) condemns in the strongest possible terms
6 the personal attacks made by the advocacy group
7 MoveOn.org impugning the integrity and profes-
8 sionalism of General David H. Petraeus;

9 (4) honors all members of the Armed Forces
10 and civilian personnel serving in harm's way, as well
11 as their families; and

12 (5) pledges to move forward on all policy debate
13 regarding the war in Iraq with the solemn respect
14 and the commitment to intellectual integrity that the
15 sacrifices of these members of the Armed Forces
16 and civilian personnel deserve.

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