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Recognizing and honoring the employees of the Department of Homeland Security who lost their lives in the line of duty in 2009 in protecting and securing our Nation.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CARNEY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

RESOLUTION

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Whereas more than 230,000 employees of the Department of Homeland Security work diligently to deter, detect, and prevent acts of terrorism and stand ready to respond to a terrorist attack, natural disaster, or other emergency;

Whereas the employees of the Department of Homeland Security are dedicated individuals who rarely receive the recognition they deserve;

Whereas 9 of those dedicated employees sacrificed their lives in the line of duty at the Department of Homeland Security in 2009;

Whereas 7 of the 9 employees were employed by the Coast Guard and lost their lives in a mission off the coast of San Clemente Island, California;

Whereas 2 of the 9 employees were Border Patrol agents in the United States Customs and Border Protection and lost their lives while patrolling the Southwestern border between Mexico and the United States;

Whereas, as a testament to the bravery and dedication of all Department of Homeland Security employees, 2 other employees of the Department, one from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and one from the Transportation Security Administration, lost their lives in 2009 while serving in combat in Afghanistan during their tenure at the Department of Homeland Security and should also be recognized for their sacrifice to the Nation;

Whereas the Nation owes a debt of gratitude to these employees of the Department of Homeland Security and all others for their continued and steadfast efforts to secure the homeland; and

Whereas each of these fallen heroes should be honored and recognized for their efforts to keep us safe from harm: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
2 nizes the ultimate sacrifices that 11 dedicated employees
3 of the Department of Homeland Security made in 2009
4 as part of their continuous efforts to keep the Nation safe.

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