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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 3, 2015

Mr. MCKINLEY submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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# CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that the radical Islamic movement in Afghanistan known as the Taliban should be recognized officially as a foreign terrorist organization by the United States Government.

Whereas under section 219(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189(a)) an organization is defined as a foreign terrorist organization if the organization is a foreign organization, is engaged in terrorist activity, and its terrorist activity threatens the security of United States nationals or the national security of the United States;

Whereas the Taliban is recognized as a terrorist organization by the Department of the Treasury and the National Counterterrorism Center;

Whereas the Taliban does not appear on the Department of State's list of foreign terrorist organizations;

Whereas the Taliban provided a safe haven for Osama bin Laden and al-Qaeda to conduct planning, training, and operations for the September 11, 2001, attacks, resulting in the deaths of 2,977 innocent persons;

Whereas over 1,800 United States service personnel have been killed in action and over 19,000 wounded in action combating the Taliban during Operation Enduring Freedom;

Whereas the Taliban remains a proven national security threat to the United States;

Whereas the Taliban continues its domestic reign of terror in Afghanistan, being responsible for three-quarters of the civilian casualties in Afghanistan in 2014; and

Whereas the Taliban continue to kill United States citizens, murdering three Americans in Kabul on January 29, 2015: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2   *concurring), That Congress—*

3           (1) calls on the Department of State and the  
4       Administration to recognize officially the Taliban as  
5       a foreign terrorist organization; and

6           (2) requests the Secretary of State to designate  
7       the Taliban as a foreign terrorist organization under  
8       section 219(a) of the Immigration and Nationality  
9       Act (8 U.S.C. 1189(a)) and impose any and all re-

1       strictions and sanctions that apply with respect to  
2       such designation.

