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To recognize and honor the service of individuals who served in the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. BUSTOS (for herself, Mr. GIANFORTE, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. KEATING, and Mr. MCGOVERN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. RECOGNITION AND HONORING OF SERVICE OF**
2 **INDIVIDUALS WHO SERVED IN UNITED**
3 **STATES CADET NURSE CORPS DURING**
4 **WORLD WAR II.**

5 (a) DETERMINATION OF ACTIVE MILITARY SERV-
6 ICE.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense
8 shall be deemed to have determined under subpara-
9 graph (A) of section 401(a)(1) of the GI Bill Im-
10 provement Act of 1977 (Public Law 95–202; 38
11 U.S.C. 106 note) that the service of the organization
12 known as the United States Cadet Nurse Corps dur-
13 ing the period beginning on July 1, 1943, and end-
14 ing on December 31, 1948, constitutes active mili-
15 tary service.

16 (2) ISSUANCE OF DISCHARGE.—Not later than
17 one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,
18 the Secretary shall, pursuant to subparagraph (B) of
19 such section, issue to each member of such organiza-
20 tion a discharge from service of such organization
21 under honorable conditions where the nature and
22 duration of the service of such member so warrants.

23 (b) BENEFITS.—

24 (1) STATUS AS A VETERAN.—Except as other-
25 wise provided in this subsection and notwithstanding
26 any other provision of law, an individual who re-

1 ceives a discharge under subsection (a)(2) for service
2 shall be honored as a veteran but shall not be enti-
3 tled by reason of such service to any benefit under
4 a law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Af-
5 fairs.

6 (2) BURIAL BENEFITS.—Service for which an
7 individual receives a discharge under subsection
8 (a)(2) shall be considered service in the active mili-
9 tary, naval, or air service (as defined in section 101
10 of title 38, United States Code) for purposes of eligi-
11 bility and entitlement to benefits under chapters 23
12 and 24 of title 38, United States Code.

13 (3) MEDALS OR OTHER COMMENDATIONS.—The
14 Secretary of Defense may design and produce a
15 service medal or other commendation to honor indi-
16 viduals who receive a discharge under subsection
17 (a)(2).

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