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Honoring the efforts of the Coast Guard for excellence in maritime border security.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. BUDD, Ms. LUMMIS, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. WICKER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. VANCE, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

RESOLUTION

Honoring the efforts of the Coast Guard for excellence in maritime border security.

Whereas, since 1790, the Coast Guard has safeguarded the people of the United States and promoted national security, border security, and economic prosperity in a complex and evolving maritime environment;

Whereas the over 50,000 members of the Coast Guard—

(1) operate a multi-mission, interoperable fleet of 259 cutters, 200 fixed and rotary-wing aircraft, and over 1,600 boats;

(2) operate 9 Coast Guard Districts and 37 sectors located at strategic ports throughout the country;

(3) exercise operational control of surface and air assets vested in 2 Coast Guard geographical Areas, the Pacific and the Atlantic; and

(4) provide maritime safety and security along more than 95,000 miles of coastline of the United States, Great Lakes, inland waterways, 4,500,000 square miles of exclusive economic zone of the United States, and on the high seas;

Whereas, in fiscal year 2022, through protection of the maritime borders of the United States, the Coast Guard—

(1) interdicted over 330,000 pounds of cocaine, over 60,000 pounds of marijuana, and over 15,000 pounds of other narcotics;

(2) conducted over 6,300 boardings of United States fishing vessels and interdicted approximately 100 foreign fishing incursions; and

(3) interdicted approximately 12,500 illegal immigrants, an increase of 150 percent from 2021; and

Whereas, through selfless and dedicated service, the Coast Guard and Coast Guardsmen have remained “Always Ready” to promote the highest level of maritime border security, ensuring the United States and the people of the United States are safeguarded from complex and evolving maritime threats: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) is grateful to the men and women who
3 proudly serve in the Coast Guard to protect the peo-
4 ple of the United States by ensuring the highest
5 level of maritime border security; and

1 (2) congratulates the Coast Guard on exem-
2 plary service and dedication to the United States.

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