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H. J. RES. 320

Designating April 11, 1994, as "Persian Gulf War Veteran Recognition Day".

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BLUTE introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

JOINT RESOLUTION

Designating April 11, 1994, as "Persian Gulf War Veteran
Recognition Day".

Whereas, on August 2, 1990, the Government of Iraq
launched an unprovoked assault on, and subsequently oc-
cupied the territory of, Kuwait;

Whereas Iraq's disrespect for the legitimate boundaries of a
sovereign nation and its demonstrated willingness to use
weapons of mass destruction against its neighbors posed
a serious threat to world peace;

Whereas vigorous diplomatic efforts by the international com-
munity failed to persuade Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait

and allow the restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government;

Whereas the United Nations Security Council repeatedly affirmed Kuwait's right to defend itself against Iraq's armed assaults, and adopted Resolution 678 authorizing members of the United Nations to use all means necessary after January 15, 1991, to assist Kuwait in recapturing its independence;

Whereas, on January 16, 1991, a coalition of United States and allied forces embarked on Operation Desert Storm, a mission to liberate Kuwait from the control of Iraq;

Whereas the men and women of the United States Armed Forces risked their lives to defend Kuwait and the Kuwaiti people, and successfully fought to liberate Kuwait; and

Whereas, on April 11, 1991, the United Nations Security Council declared a formal cease-fire ending the Persian Gulf War: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That April 11, 1994, is designated as "Persian Gulf War
4 Veteran Recognition Day", and the President is author-
5 ized and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the
6 people of the United States to observe the day with appro-
7 priate ceremonies and activities.

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