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H. CON. RES. 279

Recognizing the service of the crew members of the USS Enterprise Battle Group during its extended deployment for the war effort in Afghanistan.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SCHROCK (for himself, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. HOLT, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. FORBES, and Mr. SCOTT) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas the USS Enterprise Battle Group was completing its deployment to the Persian Gulf in support of Operation Southern Watch over Iraq, and was en route back to the United States when the terrorist attacks occurred on September 11, 2001;

Whereas USS Enterprise promptly changed course and returned to remain in the region of its deployment to await orders from the National Command Authority;

Whereas the USS Enterprise Battle Group, consisting of USS Enterprise, USS Philippine Sea, USS Gettysburg,

USS Arctic, USS Providence, USS Jacksonville, USS McFaul, USS Gonzalez, USS Stout, USS Thorn, USS Nicholson, and USS Nicholas, and aircraft from Airwing Eight, consisting of the VF14 Tophatters, the VF41 Black Aces, the VFA15 Valions, the VFA 87 Golden Warriors, the VAW 124 Bear Aces, the VAQ 141 Shadowhawks, the VS 24 Scouts, and the HS 3 Tridents, were involved in the first attack on Afghanistan in the war against terrorism;

Whereas the deployment of these ships and their crews was extended by several weeks in support of the war effort;

Whereas the families of the USS Enterprise Battle Group relied on each other for strength and support, while keeping faith in their loved ones to defend the freedoms and ideals of the United States; and

Whereas USS Enterprise returned to the naval base in Norfolk, Virginia, on November 10, 2001: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That the Congress recognizes the service of
 3 the crew members of the USS Enterprise Battle Group
 4 during its extended deployment for the war effort in Af-
 5 ghanistan.

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