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S. CON. RES. 150

Welcoming Her Majesty Queen Sirikit of Thailand on her visit to the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BOND submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas the United States and the Kingdom of Thailand have enjoyed 169 years of peaceful and constructive relations since the signing of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce in 1833;

Whereas that document was the first such treaty signed between the United States and any Asian nation;

Whereas the United States enjoys both a bilateral security agreement and a military assistance agreement with Thailand and conducts several military exercises with the armed forces of Thailand every year, the largest of which is the Cobra Gold Exercise;

Whereas her Majesty Queen Sirikit, most notably as President of the Thai Red Cross Society, has made major contributions to advancing the social and economic welfare, and health, of the people of Thailand;

Whereas, in order to assist the rural poor of Thailand, Her Majesty Queen Sirikit serves as patron and chairperson of the Foundation for the Promotion of Supplementary Occupations and Related Techniques (SUPPORT);

Whereas, in her capacity as President of the Thai Red Cross Society, Her Majesty Queen Sirikit established the Khao Larn Thai Red Cross Center to provide food, shelter, and medical attention to Cambodian refugees fleeing the turmoil in their country; and

Whereas Her Majesty Queen Sirikit's contributions to the welfare of Thai citizens and of international refugees have been widely recognized by groups as diverse as the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organizations, the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, and the British Royal College of Physicians: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
 2 *concurring)*, That the Congress welcomes Her Majesty
 3 Queen Sirikit on her visit to the United States and ex-
 4 presses the hope that her visit will further strengthen the
 5 deep historical relationship between the United States and
 6 the Kingdom of Thailand.

7 SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit
 8 a copy of this concurrent resolution to the President with

- 1 the request that such copy be further transmitted to the
- 2 Government of the Kingdom of Thailand.

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