

111<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. RES. 1758

Expressing the Nation's sincerest appreciation for the service of Muslim  
American veterans.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 9, 2010

Mr. CARSON of Indiana (for himself, Mr. FILNER, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. HONDA, and Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## RESOLUTION

Expressing the Nation's sincerest appreciation for the service  
of Muslim American veterans.

Whereas Muslim American veterans comprise an important  
population of the Nation's estimated 9,000,000 citizens  
who embrace the Islamic faith;

Whereas the record of service of Muslim Americans in the  
United States military dates back to the mid-1800s;

Whereas Muslim Americans have participated for over 200  
years in United States military actions including in the  
War of 1812, the Civil War, and the Spanish-American  
War;

Whereas Muslim Americans served in the United States Armed Forces during World Wars I and II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War;

Whereas Muslim Americans have also provided considerable contributions in military operations in the Persian Gulf in the 1990s and continue to serve in the Armed Forces in the ongoing conflicts around the world;

Whereas there are an estimated 10,000 Muslim Americans currently serving in the Nation's armed services;

Whereas Muslim Americans, after departing from the armed services, have continued their service to the Nation as scientists, physicians, nurses, police officers, firefighters, lawyers, social workers, engineers, entrepreneurs, and educators;

Whereas the Muslim American Veterans Association (MAVA) was established in 1997 to represent all Muslim American veterans;

Whereas MAVA is a national veteran service organization supporting the needs of all veterans across America;

Whereas MAVA Post 1 was established in Washington, DC, as the first of seven MAVA posts within the United States;

Whereas MAVA has a growing list of seven posts, with several hundred members; and

Whereas Muslim American veterans represent a rich thread of the Nation's diverse and strong social economic fabric:  
Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved*, that the House of Representatives—

1           (1) recognizes all Muslim American veterans  
2           who have served the Nation with honor, pride, devo-  
3           tion, wisdom, and courage for their sacrifices; and

4           (2) calls upon the President to issue a procla-  
5           mation urging the people of the United States to ob-  
6           serve a day honoring Muslim American veterans  
7           with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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