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Honoring the veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States who joined together to organize evacuations during the withdrawal of the United States from Afghanistan in August 2021.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MORAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

Honoring the veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States who joined together to organize evacuations during the withdrawal of the United States from Afghanistan in August 2021.

Whereas, on August 15, 2021, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan fell, resulting in the departure of the United States military, United States personnel, and Afghan allies and partners from Afghanistan;

Whereas, during the evacuation of the city of Kabul, the valiant efforts of veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States, family members of those veterans, and countless volunteers in the United States and abroad resulted in the aid and rescue of tens of thousands of Afghan nationals;

Whereas the veterans joined together and organized networks to rescue those who had served beside them and bled and suffered in support of the fledgling democracy in Afghanistan;

Whereas the individuals rescued included United States citizens, prominent government officials, interpreters, special operations forces of Afghanistan, women at risk, children, and military dogs;

Whereas, by organizing evacuation efforts, many organizations, including Aces & Eights, Afghan Departure Group, AFGFree, Allied Airlift 21, Flanders Fields, The Lifeline Foundation, No One Left Behind, OP620, Operation Freedom Birds, Operation Recovery, Operation Sacred Promise, Project Dynamo, Project Exodus, R20, Task Force Antal, Save Our Allies, Special Operations Association of America, Task Force Argo, Task Force Diablo, Task Force Dunkirk, Task Force Hawk, Task Force North Star, Task Force Owl Peyote, Task Force Patel, Task Force Pineapple, and Team America, provided an invaluable service to the people of Afghanistan and honored the greatest traditions of the United States;

Whereas the veterans, their families, and the countless volunteers deserve to be recognized for their tireless efforts;

Whereas those men and women have endured a moral injury, carrying the burden of the evacuation and ongoing efforts to rescue those who remain trapped in Afghanistan; and

Whereas many veterans have expended savings and pensions to support evacuation efforts and have suffered in mind and body, and they deserve the fullest support of the United States Government: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

1 (1) honors—

2 (A) the veterans of the Armed Forces of
3 the United States who joined together to orga-
4 nize evacuations during the withdrawal of the
5 United States from Afghanistan in 2021; and

6 (B) other individuals who supported the
7 evacuation efforts; and

8 (2) calls on the executive branch to provide
9 every possible avenue of support to those veterans
10 across the Government.