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House Resolution 1542

By: Representatives Burns of the 159th, Hitchens of the 161st, Bonner of the 73rd, Cannon of the 172nd, and Williams of the 168th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing March 22, 2024, as Banding Together for Our Veterans Day; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary is conducting its 110th year of
- 4 volunteer service to America; and
- 5 WHEREAS, year after year, the organization continues to honor those who have made the
- 6 ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom by maintaining memorials to their service and
- 7 sharing their history with our nation's youth so that what our nation's veterans have done for
- 8 America will not be forgotten; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary supports the troops currently deployed
- 10 overseas; and
- WHEREAS, the 470,000 members represent the families of those who have served or are
- 12 currently on foreign soil protecting our freedom; and
- 13 WHEREAS, members volunteer nearly one million hours in Veterans Affairs Medical
- 14 Centers and other hospitals throughout this country; and

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WHEREAS, the organization provides awards and scholarships to students based on their

- 16 expressions of patriotism through art, speech, and volunteerism; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the 2023-2024 National President, Carla Martinez, is rallying Veterans of
- 18 Foreign Wars Auxiliary members behind her theme, "Banding Together For Our Veterans."
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body recognize March 22, 2024, as Banding Together for Our Veterans
- 21 Day in honor of National President Carla Martinez and all members of the Veterans of
- 22 Foreign Wars Auxiliary for their outstanding volunteer service to veterans and their families.
- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 25 National President Carla Martinez.