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H. J. RES. 65

To authorize the use of the United States Armed Forces to achieve the goal of preventing Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

Mr. HASTINGS introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This joint resolution may be cited as the “Authoriza-
5 tion of Use of Force Against Iran Resolution”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) On July 14, 2015, a Joint Comprehensive
9 Plan of Action designed to ensure that Iran’s nu-

1 clear program is used solely for peaceful purposes
2 was finalized.

3 (2) Pursuant to the Iran Nuclear Agreement
4 Review Act of 2015, signed into law on May 22,
5 2015, the United States Congress is tasked with re-
6 viewing this plan of action to make certain the terms
7 of the agreement will unequivocally prevent Iran
8 from becoming a nuclear weapons state.

9 (3) The United States must do all that is nec-
10 essary to ensure that all of Iran's pathways to ob-
11 taining a nuclear weapon are blocked.

12 (4) Iran's pursuit of a nuclear weapon has and
13 will continue to destabilize the region.

14 (5) Iran's pursuit of a nuclear weapon is a
15 threat not only to the United States but also to our
16 allies in the region.

17 (6) Iran's sincerity in forgoing the procurement
18 of a nuclear weapon has created legitimate cause for
19 concern.

20 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF UNITED STATES**
21 **ARMED FORCES TO ACHIEVE THE GOAL OF**
22 **PREVENTING IRAN FROM OBTAINING NU-**
23 **CLEAR WEAPONS.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President is authorized to
25 use the Armed Forces of the United States as the Presi-

1 dent determines necessary and appropriate in order to
2 achieve the goal of preventing Iran from obtaining nuclear
3 weapons.

4 (b) WAR POWERS RESOLUTION REQUIREMENTS.—

5 (1) SPECIFIC STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION.—

6 Consistent with section 8(a)(1) of the War Powers
7 Resolution, the Congress declares that this section is
8 intended to constitute specific statutory authoriza-
9 tion within the meaning of section 5(b) of the War
10 Powers Resolution.

11 (2) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER REQUIRE-
12 MENTS.—Nothing in this joint resolution supersedes
13 any requirement of the War Powers Resolution.

14 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

15 Not later than 60 days after the date on which the
16 President exercises the authority described in section 3,
17 and every 60 days thereafter, the President shall submit
18 to Congress a report on the specific actions taken pursu-
19 ant to such authority.

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