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115th CONGRESS 2D Session



Commemorating and acknowledging veteran-owned small businesses.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas members and veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States develop a wide array of skills during their time of service that support entrepreneurship;
- Whereas many veterans build on their experience in the Armed Forces to start their own business after leaving active service;
- Whereas veterans form a vital part of the United States labor force, and firms that hire veterans benefit from their diverse set of skills;

- Whereas more than one in five veterans surveyed have purchased a business, started their own business, or considered doing so;
- Whereas there are more than 2,500,000 veteran-owned businesses in the United States, representing more than 9 percent of all United States firms;
- Whereas veteran-owned businesses employ more than 5,000,000 people and generate an annual payroll of \$195,000,000,000;
- Whereas veteran-owned businesses generate more than \$1,140,000,000,000 in annual sales; and
- Whereas the Small Business Administration, through its Boots to Business program, has trained more than 30,000 service members, veterans, and their spouses on launching their own small business: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) honors and recognizes veterans for their
 3 service to the United States; and
- 4 (2) celebrates the entrepreneurial spirit and
 5 work of veteran small business owners.