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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. *112*

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1 A House Concurrent Resolution relating to the use of  
2 the Iowa Air National Guard to patrol no-fly zones  
3 over Iraq.

4 WHEREAS, the United States of America is a member  
5 nation of the United Nations; and

6 WHEREAS, every United Nations member nation is  
7 bound by the United Nations Charter; and

8 WHEREAS, Article 51 of the United Nations Charter  
9 prohibits the use of force against a sovereign nation,  
10 except in self-defense, without United Nations  
11 Security Council authorization; and

12 WHEREAS, the establishment of no-fly zones by the  
13 United States and Great Britain within the borders of  
14 Iraq has never received United Nations Security  
15 Council approval, is not sanctioned by any United  
16 Nations resolution, lacks international support, and  
17 is not vital to the national security of the United  
18 States; and

19 WHEREAS, France has withdrawn its participation in  
20 and support for enforcement of the no-fly zones over  
21 Iraq; and

22 WHEREAS, United States and British missile attacks  
23 against Iraq have been condemned by religious leaders,  
24 including Pope John Paul II; and

25 WHEREAS, since December 1998, United States and  
26 British warplanes, threatened by Iraqi anti-aircraft  
27 weapons while patrolling the no-fly zones, have  
28 carried out nearly daily missile attacks against Iraqi

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1 targets, as reported in the New York Times, resulting  
2 in more than 200 civilian casualties, destruction of  
3 schools, hospitals, and water supplies, according to  
4 the United Nations International Children's Emergency  
5 Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund, and the  
6 World Food Program; and

7 WHEREAS, Iowa Air National Guard warplanes and  
8 personnel have been mobilized by the President of the  
9 United States and the United States Department of  
10 Defense to patrol the no-fly zones over Iraq; and

11 WHEREAS, participation of Iowa Air National Guard  
12 personnel and warplanes in patrolling the no-fly zones  
13 over Iraq unnecessarily puts Iowans at risk of injury  
14 or death; and

15 WHEREAS, participation of Iowa Air National Guard  
16 personnel and warplanes in patrolling the no-fly zones  
17 over Iraq is a violation of the United Nations  
18 Charter; NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE  
20 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Iowa General Assembly  
21 publicly opposes the use of the Iowa Air National  
22 Guard to patrol the no-fly zones over the sovereign  
23 territory of Iraq, and calls on the President of the  
24 United States and the United States Secretary of  
25 Defense to discontinue use of the Iowa Air National  
26 Guard to patrol the no-fly zones over Iraq.

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