

House Resolution 36 - Introduced

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1 A Resolution to recognize the efforts of Patriot
2 Outreach, Inc. in supporting Iowa's veterans and
3 their families.

4 WHEREAS, our nation was founded on the principles of
5 liberty, opportunity, and justice for all, principles
6 which the men and women of our armed forces have
7 valiantly defended throughout our nation's history; and

8 WHEREAS, thousands of Iowans have proudly served in
9 the armed forces, and by answering the call of duty
10 risked their lives in response to combat, peacekeeping
11 missions, rescue operations, and humanitarian relief
12 efforts; and

13 WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's
14 overall health and well-being; and

15 WHEREAS, our brave soldier-citizens face significant
16 challenges in readjusting from the stress of combat to
17 their civilian lives, and family members experience
18 emotional challenges coping with a loved one in
19 danger; and

20 WHEREAS, Patriot Outreach, Inc., a nonprofit
21 organization, founded in the city of Davenport, Iowa,
22 has provided simple, effective, nonintrusive support,
23 designed to bridge the gap between those who seek help
24 and the silent majority who avoid the stigma of seeking
25 assistance; and

26 WHEREAS, Patriot Outreach, Inc. has provided 55,000
27 "Coping Strategies" compact disks and has provided over

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1 34,000 downloads to all branches of the armed forces,
2 veterans, first responders, government civilians,
3 battlefield contractors, and their families; and

4 WHEREAS, these requests do pay tribute to the
5 testimonials attesting to their effectiveness in
6 combating anger, stress, pain, and even posttraumatic
7 stress disorder, with the most notable bulk requests
8 for the compact disks received from the 82nd Airborne
9 Division, 5,000 copies; from the 91st Division, 3,000
10 copies; from Fort Hood, 3,500 copies; from Joint Task
11 Force Headquarters, 1,500 copies; from USO, 1,000
12 copies; and from the Iowa VFW, 8,000 copies; NOW
13 THEREFORE,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
15 the House of Representatives recognizes all volunteer
16 organizations that are dedicated to helping the men and
17 women who have served our country, including Patriot
18 Outreach, Inc., and encourage more Iowans to volunteer
19 their services in support of Iowa's veterans and their
20 families.