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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE 236TH BIRTHDAY OF THE U.S. ARMY

Introduced By: Representatives Costa, Chippendale, Reilly, Gordon, and Newberry

Date Introduced: June 14, 2011

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, Since its official birth on June 14, 1775, over a year before the Declaration 1 of Independence was written, the United States Army has played a vital role in the growth and 2 3 development of the American nation; and WHEREAS, The nature of the Army's missions has varied depending on the nation's 4 needs at a particular time, whether fighting a war for survival, developing a transportation 5 6 network and skilled engineers to support it, providing disaster relief, keeping the peace, or supporting American diplomacy; and 7 8 WHEREAS, From the first battles at Lexington and Concord to the streets of Mosul and Kandahar, soldiers have always defended freedom and epitomized what is best about America; 9 10 and 11 WHEREAS, Throughout our nation's history, generations of brave men and women in 12 the U.S. Army have served with a deep commitment to America's core values and beliefs, with 13 many making the ultimate sacrifice, giving their lives so that we all would remain free; and 14 WHEREAS, The brave soldiers of the U.S. Army remain Army Strong, the clearest 15 symbol of America's commitment to freedom and the country's preeminent leadership 16 experience, going beyond physical endurance and mental preparedness while encompassing an 17 indomitable spirit, and high ethical and moral values; now, therefore be it 18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and 19 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates the U.S. Army on the celebration of its 236th 20 Birthday and honors the servicemen and women who together make it the strength of our nation;

- 1 and be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
- 3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable John McHugh, Secretary of the

4 U.S. Army.

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