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# S. RES. 178

Honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration  
on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the agency.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 20, 2013

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted the following  
resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

Honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement  
Administration on the occasion of the 40th anniversary  
of the agency.

Whereas the Drug Enforcement Administration (referred to  
in this preamble as the “DEA”) was established by an  
Executive order on July 1, 1973, and given the responsi-  
bility to coordinate all activities of the Federal Govern-  
ment directly related to the enforcement of the drug laws  
of the United States;

Whereas the more than 9,500 men and women of the DEA,  
including special agents, intelligence analysts, diversion  
investigators, program analysts, forensic chemists, attor-  
neys, and administrative support staff, as well as more  
than 2,000 task force officers and hundreds of vetted for-  
eign drug law enforcement officers, serve our Nation with

courage and help protect the people of the United States from drug trafficking, drug abuse, and related violence;

Whereas the DEA has targeted and brought to justice numerous criminals around the world over the 40 years since the establishment of the agency;

Whereas throughout the 40-year history of the DEA, the agency has continually adapted to evolving trends of drug trafficking organizations by targeting those involved in the manufacturing, distribution, and sale of drugs, including cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine, marijuana, ecstasy, and controlled prescription drugs;

Whereas in the decade immediately preceding the date of agreement to this resolution, DEA special agents seized more than 21,000 kilograms of heroin, 825,000 kilograms of cocaine, 4,500,000 kilograms of marijuana, over 21,000 kilograms of methamphetamine, and more than 50,000,000 dosage units of controlled prescription drugs;

Whereas with 86 foreign offices located in 67 countries, the DEA has the largest international presence of any Federal law enforcement agency, facilitating close collaboration with international partners around the world, including in Colombia, Mexico, and Afghanistan through information sharing, training, technology, and other resources that have resulted in the disruption or dismantling of 216 priority target drug trafficking organizations in Colombia, 20 in Afghanistan, and 108 in Mexico;

Whereas throughout the history of the DEA, employees and members of the agency's task forces have given their lives in the line of duty, including Emir Benitez, Gerald Sawyer, Leslie S. Grosso, Nickolas Fragos, Mary M. Keehan, Charles H. Mann, Anna Y. Mounger, Anna J. Pope,

Martha D. Skeels, Mary P. Sullivan, Larry D. Wallace, Ralph N. Shaw, James T. Lunn, Octavio Gonzalez, Francis J. Miller, Robert C. Lightfoot, Thomas J. Devine, Larry N. Carwell, Marcellus Ward, Enrique S. Camarena, James A. Avant, Charles M. Bassing, Kevin L. Brosch, Susan M. Hoefler, William Ramos, Raymond J. Stastny, Arthur L. Cash, Terry W. McNett, George M. Montoya, Paul S. Seema, Everett E. Hatcher, Rickie C. Finley, Joseph T. Aversa, Wallie Howard, Jr., Eugene T. McCarthy, Alan H. Winn, George D. Althouse, Becky L. Dwojeski, Stephen J. Strehl, Richard E. Fass, Frank Fernandez, Jr., Jay W. Seale, Meredith Thompson, Juan C. Vars, Frank S. Wallace, Jr., Shelly D. Bland, Rona L. Chafey, Carrol June Fields, Carrie A. Lenz, Kenneth G. McCullough, Shaun E. Curl, Larry Steilen, Royce D. Tramel, Alice Faye Hall-Walton, Elton Lee Armstead, Terry Loftus, Donald C. Ware, Jay Balchunas, Thomas J. Byrne, Jr., Samuel Hicks, Forrest N. Leamon, Chad L. Michael, and Michael E. Weston; and

Whereas many other DEA employees and task force officers have been wounded or injured in the line of duty, including 91 who have received the Purple Heart Award of the DEA; Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) congratulates the Drug Enforcement Ad-  
3       ministration on the occasion of the 40th anniversary  
4       of the agency;

5               (2) honors the heroic sacrifice of the employees  
6       of the agency who have given their lives or have been

1 wounded or injured in the service of the United  
2 States; and

3 (3) gives heartfelt thanks to all the men and  
4 women of the Drug Enforcement Administration for  
5 their past and continued efforts to protect the people  
6 of the United States from the dangers of drug  
7 abuse.

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