## 116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H. RES. 677

U.S. GOVERNMENT

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Veterans Small Business Week.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 1, 2019

Mr. CROW (for himself, Mr. HAGEDORN, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. CRAIG, Ms. FINKENAUER, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. SPANO, Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. CHABOT, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, and Mr. BALDERSON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

## RESOLUTION

## Supporting the goals and ideals of National Veterans Small Business Week.

- Whereas the Armed Forces of the United States train individuals with the skills, discipline, and leadership necessary to establish and operate a successful business;
- Whereas there are approximately 2,500,000 veteran-owned small businesses in the United States, employing nearly 5,800,000 individuals;
- Whereas veteran-owned businesses make up nearly 10 percent of all businesses in the United States;
- Whereas veterans account for more than \$1,200,000,000 in business receipts every year;

- Whereas veterans are 45 percent more likely to be self-employed than nonveterans;
- Whereas business ownership by women veterans has increased significantly, from 97,114 in 2007 to 383,302 in 2012;
- Whereas business ownership by immigrant veterans is over 62,000;
- Whereas the Small Business Administration serves more than 200,000 veterans, service-disabled veterans, women veterans, and military spouses annually;
- Whereas the Small Business Administration will be hosting events honoring National Veterans Small Business Week from November 4 through November 8, 2019;
- Whereas the Congress and the Small Business Administration will be celebrating Veterans Small Business Week during the week of November 4 through November 8, 2019; and
- Whereas the week of November 4 through November 8, 2019, would be an appropriate time to celebrate National Veterans Small Business Week: Now, therefore, be it
- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives joins
- 2 with the Small Business Administration in—
- 3 (1) supporting the goals and ideals of National
  4 Veterans Small Business Week;
- 5 (2) supporting veterans through the Small
  6 Business Administration that funds veteran-owned
  7 small business, trains veterans for entrepreneurship,
  8 and supports veteran contracting;

(3) celebrating the millions of people in the
 United States, especially the veterans of the United
 States and the spouses of those veterans, who ben efit from the programs of the Small Business Ad ministration; and

6 (4) expressing appreciation for the continued
7 service to the United States by the veterans of the
8 United States through small business ownership and
9 entrepreneurship.

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