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Recognizing the contributions of the United States Army Air Forces to
the United States victory in World War II.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. THURMOND submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the contributions of the United States Army
Air Forces to the United States victory in World War II.

Whereas in World War II, the United States Army Air
Forces played a decisive role in turning the tide of war
both in Europe and the Pacific.

Whereas the price for this role in victory was high, with more
than 50,000 Army Air Forces personnel killed in combat.

Whereas the strategic air campaign of the Army Air Forces
in Europe during World War II successfully crippled the
industrial and economic infrastructure and communica-
tions and transportation networks of Germany.

Whereas the Army Air Forces supported ground forces and
gained air supremacy in the skies over the beaches of the

D-Day invasion of Europe, an operation that set the stage for the downfall of the Third Reich.

Whereas in August 1942, the Army Air Forces commenced air operations that established air supremacy in the Southwest Pacific, thereby contributing significantly to victory in the battles for New Guinea and the Philippines.

Whereas the Army Air Forces supported the strategic and tactical thrusts of the Armed Forces across the central Pacific, the Aleutians, and the China-Burma-India Theater: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) recognizes the courage, sacrifice, and devotion to duty of the personnel of the United States Army Air Forces in World War II; and

5 (2) recognizes the outstanding and critical contribution of the Army Air Forces to the worldwide victory of the United States in World War II.

