

House Concurrent Resolution No. 29

92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1 **Whereas**, for more than a decade, the United States and other nations have pursued
2 patient and honorable efforts to disarm the Iraqi regime without war; and
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4 **Whereas**, on November 8, 2002, the United Nations Security Council approved
5 Security Council Resolution 1441 under Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter by a vote of
6 15-0, giving Iraq "a final opportunity to comply with its disarmament obligations"; and
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8 **Whereas**, on November 21, 2002, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's North
9 Atlantic Council unanimously approved a declaration stating, "We deplore Iraq's failure to
10 comply fully with its obligations which were imposed as a necessary step to restore international
11 peace and security and we recall that the Security Council has decided in its resolution to afford
12 Iraq a final opportunity to comply with its disarmament obligations under relevant resolutions
13 of the Council."; and
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15 **Whereas**, Iraq's conventional, chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons and
16 ballistic missile programs and its demonstrated willingness to use weapons of mass destruction
17 pose a grave threat to world peace; and
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19 **Whereas**, Iraq is in material breach of United Nations Security Council resolutions,
20 including United Nations Resolution 1441; and
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22 **Whereas**, the clear and present danger posed by Saddam Hussein's regime requires
23 a united response from the community of democracies; and
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25 **Whereas**, the United States of America has the sovereign authority to use force in
26 assuring its own national security; and

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28 **Whereas**, pursuant to United Nations Resolutions 678 and 687 the United States
29 and our allies are authorized to use force in ridding Iraq of weapons of mass destruction; and

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31 **Whereas**, the President of the United States declared on March 17, 2003, that the
32 decades of deceit and cruelty have reached an end and that Saddam Hussein and his sons must
33 leave Iraq within 48 hours; and

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35 **Whereas**, Saddam Hussein and his sons remain in Iraq and have rejected the
36 President's demand; and

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38 **Whereas**, the security of the world requires disarming Saddam Hussein without
39 delay:

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41 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of
42 Representatives of the Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate concurring
43 therein, hereby patriotically support the work to advance liberty and peace in the Iraqi region; and

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45 **Be it further resolved** that the power and appeal of human liberty is felt in
46 every life and every land, and the greatest power of freedom is to overcome hatred and violence,
47 and turn the creative gifts of men and women to the pursuits of peace; and

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49 **Be it further resolved** that free nations have a duty to defend their people
50 by uniting against the violent and oppressive; and

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52 **Be it further resolved** that we support our national leaders in bringing to

53 justice Osama bin Laden and those responsible for terrorist attacks on United States soil and its
54 citizens; and
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56 **Be it further resolved** that now that the "moment of truth" is upon us, we,
57 the members of the Missouri General Assembly, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular
58 Session, express our strongest affirmation of support for the actions of the President and offer
59 our unfettered dedication to all members of the United States' armed forces; and
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61 **Be it further resolved** that we hereby call upon all state-wide elected
62 officials to publicly stand by us in unity as brothers and sisters in freedom in support of our
63 resolutions proclaimed herein by sending a letter of support to the President of the United States
64 and the members of the Missouri Congressional delegation; and
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66 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
67 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the President
68 of the United States and the members of the Missouri Congressional delegation.