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Senate Memorial

A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to declare war on al-Qaeda, the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), and all other global Islamic terrorist organizations that similarly engage in acts of terrorism.

WHEREAS, the attacks on the United States of September 11, 2001, were organized and financed by al-Qaeda, and

WHEREAS, another global Islamic terrorist organization, whether known as the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), simply as the Islamic State, or by the Arabic acronym Daesh, claimed responsibility for coordinated attacks launched against six sites across Paris, France, on November 13, 2015, resulting in the loss of at least 129 innocent lives and the severe wounding of many hundreds, and

WHEREAS, ISIL systematically targets, kidnaps, and kills innocent men, women, and children throughout Iraq and Syria, continues to expand its terror influence, and is responsible for recent attacks in Egypt, Lebanon, Tunisia, and France, and

WHEREAS, al-Qaeda, ISIL, and other global Islamic terrorist organizations have committed unprovoked acts of war against the government and people of the United States and against allied and friendly governments and their populations, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the Congress of the United States, by the power vested in it by Section 8, Article I of the United States Constitution, is urged to declare that a state of war exists between the United States and al-Qaeda, the Islamic State of Iraq and the

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Levant (ISIL), and all other global Islamic terrorist organizations that similarly engage in acts of terrorism against the United States and its people and against allied and friendly governments and their populations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.