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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 163, "JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO SUPPORT THE FULL PURSUIT OF DIPLOMATIC RESOLUTIONS AND WEAPONS INSPECTIONS"

Amend the resolution by striking out all of the title and inserting in its place the following:

'JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN SUPPORT OF OUR TROOPS AND IN SUPPORT OF DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS AT A RESOLUTION'

Further amend the resolution by striking out everything after the title and inserting in its place the following:

'WE, your Memorialists, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-first Legislature of the State of Maine now assembled in the First Regular Session, most respectfully present and petition the President of the United States, as follows:

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for genuine multilateral action to eliminate weapons of mass destruction worldwide; and

WHEREAS, some governments around the world have expressed concern about unilateral action regarding Iraq and support the full pursuit of diplomatic resolutions and weapons inspections before further military action is taken against Iraq; and

WHEREAS, a war with Iraq will jeopardize the lives of American service women and men and result in the loss of human life; and

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WHEREAS, Saddam Hussein is a menace in the Middle East and a threat to stability in the region; and

WHEREAS, military action will likely result in a long-term United States military and United Nations presence in the region; and

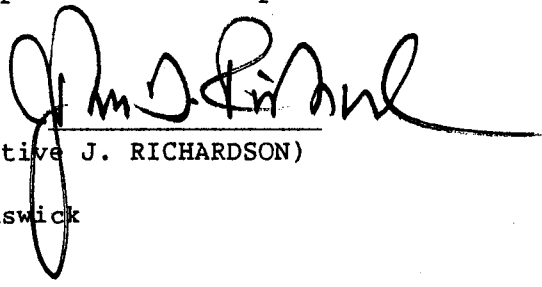
WHEREAS, if military action is initiated, this Legislature stands in full support of our brave men and women of the Armed Forces, the Commander in Chief and the Congress, as has always been the tradition in the United States of America; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, your Memorialists, respectfully urge and request that the President of the United States support the full pursuit of diplomatic efforts toward a satisfactory resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United States, and to each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation and the Governor of the State of Maine.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the text in its entirety, making clear our support of our troops and continued diplomacy.

SPONSORED BY: 
(Representative J. RICHARDSON)
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