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U.S. House of Representatives: Co-Sponsor and Support H. Res. 869 "Recognizing American Muslims' history and contributions to our Nation"

The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) and the U.S. Council of Muslim Organizations (USCMO), **are calling on members of the U.S. House of Representatives to co-sponsor H. Res. 869 - "Recognizing American Muslims' history and contributions to our Nation,"** introduced by Congresswoman Judy Chu (CA) and 31 additional congressional co-sponsors.

Adopting H. Res. 869 will demonstrate that the U.S. House of Representatives acknowledges and appreciates the positive impact of American Muslims on our country.

This resolution highlights the over 5,000 American Muslims currently serving in the Armed Forces, as well as distinguished American Muslims who are U.S. military veterans, including Humayun Khan. Khan was killed in a suicide attack in Iraq in 2004 and posthumously awarded a Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

H. Res. 869 also recognizes the contributions by American Muslims who are renown physicians, scientists, business owners, service workers, teachers, police officers, firefighters, and first responders. In addition, it highlights American Muslims like Muhammad Ali who have won Olympic medals, and other professional athletes including Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Shaquille O'Neal.

The resolution identifies many influential religious leaders and civil rights activists like Malcom X and Imam Warith Deen Mohammed, as well as elected officials like Congressman Keith Ellison (MN-5) and Congressman Andre Carson (IN-7).

In June, CAIR applauded the adoption of similar resolution in the U.S. Senate, S. Res. 555, sponsored by Senators Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) and Jeff Flake (R-AZ), titled "Recognizing the freedom of Muslims of the United States to exercise their religion and participate in the civil systems of their country."

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About CAIR: CAIR is America's largest Muslim civil liberties and advocacy organization. Its mission is to enhance understanding of Islam, protect civil rights, promote justice, and empower American Muslims.

La misión de CAIR es proteger las libertades civiles, mejorar la comprensión del Islam, promover la justicia, y empoderar a los musulmanes en los Estados Unidos.

About USCMO: USCMO is a coalition of leading national and local American Muslim organizations. Founding members of USCMO: American Muslims for Palestine (AMP), Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA), Muslim Alliance in North America (MANA), Muslim American Society (MAS), Muslim Legal Fund of America (MLFA), Muslim Ummah of North America (MUNA), The Mosque Cares (Ministry of Imam W. Deen Mohammed).