HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.243

Reps. Filler, Aiyash, Alexander, Allor, Anthony, Beeler, Bellino, Beson, Bezotte, Bolden, Bollin, Borton, Brabec, Brann, Breen, Brixie, Calley, Cambensy, Camilleri, Brenda Carter, Tyrone Carter, Cavanagh, Cherry, Clements, Coleman, Damoose, Eisen, Ellison, Farrington, Fink, Frederick, Garza, Glenn, Griffin, Haadsma, Hauck, Hertel, Hood, Hope, Hornberger, Howell, Cynthia Johnson, Jones, Kahle, Koleszar, Kuppa, LaFave, Lasinski, Liberati, Lightner, Lilly, Maddock, Manoogian, Marino, Markkanen, Martin, Morse, Mueller, Neeley, O'Malley, O'Neal, Outman, Peterson, Pohutsky, Posthumus, Puri, Rendon, Rogers, Roth, Sabo, Scott, Shannon, Slagh, Sneller, Sowerby, Steckloff, Steenland, Stone, Tate, Tisdel, VanSingel, Wakeman, Wendzel, Whiteford, Whitsett, Witwer, Yancey, Yaroch and Young offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to condemn the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the

- 1 strongest possible terms.
- 2 Whereas, On February 24, 2022, Russian President Vladimir
- 3 Putin announced a "special military operation" in Ukraine. Soon
- 4 after, the Russian military launched a full-scale invasion of its
- 5 neighbor, including sending troops into the country and bombing
- 6 major cities; and
- 7 Whereas, This unjustified invasion has already caused needless
- 8 anguish and loss of life. Ukrainian soldiers have been killed or
- 9 wounded, and thousands of refugees have fled to neighboring
- 10 countries to escape the bloodshed; and
- 11 Whereas, The attack on Ukraine is unprovoked and demonstrates
- 12 a blatant violation of the Budapest Memorandum, a 1994 agreement
- 13 between the United States, Russia, and Great Britain. As part of
- 14 the agreement, Russia committed to "respect the independence and
- 15 sovereignty and the existing borders of Ukraine" and "to refrain
- 16 from the threat or use of force" against the country; and
- 17 Whereas, President Putin has continued to demonstrate a
- 18 dangerous disregard for international law and a chilling
- 19 indifference to the unnecessary loss of human life. In announcing
- 20 the invasion, he commented that Russia remains a powerful nuclear
- 21 state and threatened grave consequences for countries that
- 22 interfere with Russia's goal. It is vital that we remain united in
- 23 our condemnation of statements and actions that portend a global
- 24 nuclear threat; now, therefore, be it
- 25 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we condemn the
- 26 Russian invasion of Ukraine in the strongest possible terms; and be
- 27 it further
- 28 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 29 President of the Russian Federation.