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Senate Joint Resolution 7 – Native American Veterans' Monument

Alaska Natives, American Indians and Native Hawaiians have an established legacy of military service. Their sacrifices in times of conflict have helped propel this country through difficult times and should be recognized in our nation's capital.

This resolution expresses support for an American Indian Veterans Memorial, which would recognize Native Americans who have served in the military. Its purpose is to honor the 151,000 living Native American veterans, including 5,500 Alaska Natives, as well as the many generations who have previously served.

I respectfully ask for your support of this resolution.