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10 **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING IMMIGRANT MILITARY SERVICE**

20 **WHEREAS:** All legal immigrants are in the States for a valid reason, and;

30 **WHEREAS:** There are not any more patriotic means than volunteering to put
40 own life at risk for a nation, and;

50 **WHEREAS:** Currently the only benefit to serving the military as an immigrant is
60 availability to bypass residency requirements in order to be
70 naturalized, and;

70 **WHEREAS:** Such residency requirements only mean for an applicant to have
80 spent a total of 5 years as a permanent resident in the States, and;

90 **WHEREAS:** Those without a green card may not serve in the military today

100 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That Maryland Student Legislature urges
110 the Congress to enact a law allowing pending Green Card
120 applicants to serve the US Military branches.

130 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That such immigrants, after 3 years of
140 consecutive service, be granted a Green Card.

150 **MANDATES:** President Barack Obama
160 Vice President Joe Biden
170 Congressman Roscoe Bartlett
180 Congressman Ron Paul
190 Senator Mark Warner
200 Senator James Webb

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