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Statement by
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Regarding Veterans Day – November 11, 2009

“On this Veterans Day, and on behalf of the Democratic Caucus in the Florida House of Representatives, I am honored to pay tribute to the men and women in uniform who have served and continue to serve our nation with courage. Their bravery and dedication are tremendous sources of inspiration to us all.

“From the soldiers at Valley Forge to today’s tech-savvy warriors in Afghanistan, Iraq and other outposts throughout the world, our nation’s history is decorated by those who have given dearly so that we may live free.

“To the families of servicemen and women and to the more than 1.7 million veterans residing throughout Florida, we extend our sincere appreciation for the responsibilities that you have undertaken and the sacrifices you have made for the defense of our country and our nation’s allies throughout the world.

“The 44 members of the Florida House Democratic Caucus, all of us dedicated to the principle of making our state better than when we came into office, are proud to express appreciation and gratitude to Florida’s veterans, and we encourage every Floridian to do the same.”

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