



1           WHEREAS, on February 25, 2022, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization condemned "in the strongest  
2 possible terms Russia's horrifying attack on Ukraine", called on Russia "to turn back from the path of violence  
3 and aggression", and reaffirmed an "iron-clad" commitment to mutual defense; and

4           WHEREAS, the European Commission, France, Germany, Italy, the United Kingdom, and Canada  
5 joined with the United States and committed to coordinated economic sanctions, including severe restrictions,  
6 against Russia's Central Bank and full-blocking sanctions against Vladimir Putin; and

7           WHEREAS, United States leadership is integral to nations around the world in condemning and  
8 imposing costs on the Russian Federation for its illegal, full-scale, renewed invasion; and

9           WHEREAS, since the invasion began, Russian forces have targeted and bombed nonmilitary targets,  
10 murdered noncombatant civilians, kidnapped, tortured, and imprisoned Ukrainian citizens, and continue to  
11 commit war crimes and crimes against humanity; and

12           WHEREAS, the United States, along with allies in Europe, the Indo-Pacific, and others around the  
13 world, has been actively responding to Russia's unprovoked war of aggression against Ukraine with critical  
14 military, humanitarian, and financial support for Ukraine and the Ukrainian people.

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16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
17 THE STATE OF MONTANA:

18           That the 68th Legislature of the State of Montana:

19           (1)       supports the Ukrainian people and their government in their war against Russian aggression;

20           (2)       supports Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity;

21           (3)       backs the continued use of sanctions, in coordination with United States allies and partners, to  
22 fully isolate the Putin regime economically for its unprovoked aggression against Ukraine;

23           (4)       urges the United States and its allies and partners to continue delivering defensive security  
24 assistance and weapons to help defeat armored, airborne, and other threats to Ukraine;

25           (5)       reaffirms Montana's support for the security of United States allies and the ironclad  
26 commitment to Article 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;

27           (6)       supports working with Europe and international partners to bolster Europe's energy security  
28 and reduce its dependence on Russian energy imports;

