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H. R. 2498

To amend title 36, United States Code, to encourage the nationwide observance of two minutes of silence each Veterans Day.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 12, 2011

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. GUINTA, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. REYES, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CAPUANO, and Mr. LYNCH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Veterans Day Moment
5 of Silence Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY.**

7 (a) TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE.—Chapter 1 of title
8 36, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
9 the following new section:

1 **“§ 145. Veterans Day**

2 “The President shall issue each year a proclamation
3 calling on the people of the United States to observe two
4 minutes of silence on Veterans Day, beginning at 2:11
5 p.m. eastern time, in honor of the service and sacrifice
6 of veterans throughout the history of the Nation.”.

7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
8 for chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, is amended
9 by adding at the end the following new item:

“145. Veterans Day.”.

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