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At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 12xx. SENSE OF CONGRESS RELATING TO DR. SHAKIL**

2 **AFRIDI.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) The attacks of September 11, 2001, killed
5 approximately 3,000 people, most of whom were
6 Americans, but also included hundreds of individuals
7 with foreign citizenships, nearly 350 New York Fire
8 Department personnel, and about 50 law enforce-
9 ment officers.

10 (2) Downed United Airlines flight 93 was re-
11 portedly intended, under the control of the al-Qaeda
12 high-jackers, to crash into the White House or the
13 Capitol in an attempt to kill the President of the
14 United States or Members of the United States Con-
15 gress.

16 (3) The September 11, 2001, attacks were
17 largely planned and carried out by the al-Qaeda ter-
18 rorist network led by Osama bin Laden and his dep-
19 uty Ayman al Zawahiri, after which Osama bin

1 Laden enjoyed safe haven in Pakistan from where he
2 continued to plot deadly attacks against the United
3 States and the world.

4 (4) Since 2001, the United States has provided
5 more than \$30 billion in security and economic aid
6 to Pakistan.

7 (5) The United States very generously and
8 swiftly responded to the 2005 Kashmir Earthquake
9 in Pakistan with more than \$200 million in emer-
10 gency aid and the support of several United States
11 military aircraft, approximately 1,000 United States
12 military personnel, including medical specialists,
13 thousands of tents, blankets, water containers and a
14 variety of other emergency equipment.

15 (6) The United States again generously and
16 swiftly contributed approximately \$150 million in
17 emergency aid to Pakistan following the 2010 Paki-
18 stan flood, in addition to the service of nearly twenty
19 United States military helicopters, their flight crews,
20 and other resources to assist the Pakistan Army's
21 relief efforts.

22 (7) The United States continues to work tire-
23 lessly to support Pakistan's economic development,
24 including millions of dollars allocated towards the

1 development of Pakistan's energy infrastructure,
2 health services and education system.

3 (8) The United States and Pakistan continue to
4 have many critical shared interests, both economic
5 and security related, which could be the foundation
6 for a positive and mutually beneficial partnership.

7 (9) Dr. Shakil Afridi, a Pakistani physician, is
8 a hero to whom the people of the United States,
9 Pakistan and the world owe a debt of gratitude for
10 his help in finally locating Osama bin Laden before
11 more innocent American, Pakistani and other lives
12 were lost to this terrorist leader.

13 (10) Pakistan, the United States and the inter-
14 national community had failed for nearly 10 years
15 following attacks of September 11, 2001, to locate
16 and bring Osama bin Laden, who continued to kill
17 innocent civilians in the Middle East, Asia, Europe,
18 Africa and the United States, to justice without the
19 help of Dr. Afridi.

20 (11) The Government of Pakistan's imprison-
21 ment of Dr. Afridi presents a serious and growing
22 impediment to the United States' bilateral relations
23 with Pakistan.

1 (12) The Government of Pakistan has leveled
2 and allowed baseless charges against Dr. Afridi in a
3 politically motivated, spurious legal process.

4 (13) Dr. Afridi is currently imprisoned by the
5 Government of Pakistan, a deplorable and uncon-
6 scionable situation which calls into question Paki-
7 stan's actual commitment to countering terrorism
8 and undermines the notion that Pakistan is a true
9 ally in the struggle against terrorism.

10 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
11 gress that Dr. Shakil Afridi is an international hero and
12 that the Government of Pakistan should release him im-
13 mediately from prison.

