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

SEC. 12. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS ON IRAN'S SUPREME LEADER'S OFFICE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) The Supreme Leader is an institution of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

(2) The Supreme Leader holds ultimate authority over Iran’s judiciary and security apparatus, including the Ministry of Intelligence and Security, law enforcement forces under the Interior Ministry, the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), and the Basij, a nationwide volunteer paramilitary group subordinate to the IRGC, all of which have engaged in human rights abuses in Iran.

(3) The Supreme Leader appoints the head of Iran’s judiciary. International observers continue to criticize the lack of independence of Iran’s judicial system and maintained that trials disregarded international standards of fairness.
(4) Most notably within Iran’s judiciary, the revolutionary courts, created by Iran’s former Supreme Leader Rohollah Khomeini, chiefly responsible for hearing cases of political offenses, operate in parallel to Iran’s criminal justice system and routinely hold grossly unfair trials without due process, handing down predetermined verdicts and rubberstamping executions for political purpose.

(5) The Iranian security and law enforcement forces engage in serious human rights abuse at the behest of the Supreme Leader.

(b) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall impose the sanctions described in section 105(c) of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (22 U.S.C. 8514(e)) with respect to each person described in subsection (c).

(c) PERSONS DESCRIBED.—The persons described in this subsection are the following:

(1) The Supreme Leader of Iran.

(2) Any official in the Office of the Supreme Leader of Iran.

(3) Any official of any entity owned or controlled by the Supreme Leader of Iran or the Office of the Supreme Leader of Iran.
(4) Any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with or at the recommendation of the Secretary of State—

(A) to be a person appointed by the Supreme Leader of Iran or the Office of the Supreme Leader of Iran to a position as a state official of Iran, or as the head of any entity located in Iran or any entity located outside of Iran that is owned or controlled by one or more entities in Iran;

(B) to have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to or in support of any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this section;

(C) to be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this section; or

(D) to be a member of the board of directors or a senior executive officer of any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this section.

(d) CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after receiving a request from the chairman and ranking member of one of the appropriate congressional committees with respect to whether a person meets the criteria of a person described in subsection (c)(4), the President shall—

(A) determine if the person meets such criteria; and

(B) submit a classified or unclassified report to such chairman and ranking member with respect to such determination that includes a statement of whether or not the President imposed or intends to impose sanctions with respect to the person pursuant to this section.

(2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives; and

(B) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.