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At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XII, insert the following:

1 SEC. _____. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON BURDEN SHARING 2 WITHIN NATO.

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4 (1) recognizes that the 2014 Wales Summit De5 fense Spending Benchmark ensures the NATO Alli6 ance can maintain the best common defense to safe7 guard its members in the event a mutual military re8 sponse is warranted;

9 (2) asserts that for far too long the majority of 10 NATO member countries have relied on the financial 11 contributions and military capabilities of the United 12 States and have failed to fully invest in their own 13 defense;

(3) praises Estonia, Greece, Latvia, Lithuania,
Poland and the United Kingdom for meeting the
minimum 2 percent GDP defense spending obligations in 2022;

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1 (4) denounces Croatia, France, Slovakia, Roma-2 nia, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Alba-3 nia, Bulgaria, Italy, Germany, Hungary, Denmark, 4 Portugal, Turkey, Montenegro, Czech Republic, Can-5 ada, Slovenia, Belgium, Spain, and Luxembourg's 6 failure to meet the minimum 2 percent GDP defense 7 spending obligation in 2022 and strongly urges these 8 nations to fulfill the commitment they pledged to 9 meet;

10 (5)maintains that European countries in 11 NATO should be chiefly responsible for safeguarding 12 the European continent and should not delay in 13 meeting the 2 percent defense spending obligations; 14 (6) expresses that the United States should not 15 continue subsidizing NATO member countries who 16 choose not to invest in their own defense by meeting 17 the 2014 Wales Summit Defense Spending Bench-18 mark; and

(7) calls on NATO leaders to make the 2 percent defense spending pledge binding for all NATO
member countries at the Vilnius Summit

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