

# ***VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES***

---

## **Resolution No. 440**

### **SUPPORT THE WAR IN IRAQ**

WHEREAS, we support the Commander-in-Chief in his efforts to prosecute the global war on terrorism; and

WHEREAS, the war in Iraq is part of that effort; and

WHEREAS, the war in Iraq is considered the centerpiece and front line in the war of terror; and

WHEREAS, United States armed forces should remain in Iraq in sufficient numbers until Iraqi forces can provide security for their nation; and

WHEREAS, a strategy to announce a withdrawal date or rigid timetable will be exploited by the insurgency, giving them a timetable to execute patience and intensify their efforts after U.S. military forces leave; and

WHEREAS, if U.S. military forces withdraw from Iraq before victory is achieved, that nation state will become a haven for terrorist activity, which likely includes planning and carrying out attacks against America, its allies and citizens at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that the U.S. succeed in Iraq, which will result in stability and security in the region; and

WHEREAS, U.S. armed forces and coalition partners are making significant progress in defeating the Iraq insurgency, rebuilding the Iraq infrastructure (i.e., schools, hospitals, water, sewerage and power generating facilities, etc.), and are greatly appreciated by the Iraqi people; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, that we support the Commander-in-Chief and the brave men and women fighting the war in Iraq, as a matter of security for the American people, until victory is achieved, defined as Iraqi forces being solely capable of securing their nation.

Adopted by the National Council of Administration of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States in Kansas City, Missouri, January 3, 2006.