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Rep. Adams' Statement on the War Powers Resolution

Washington, DC-Today, Rep. Alma S. Adams, Ph.D. voted in favor of a War Powers Resolution to limit President Trump's military actions regarding Iran. This resolution reiterates that only Congress can declare war and affirms that Congress has not authorized the use of military force against Iran. Hence, it states that if no further Congressional action is taken, the Administration's military hostilities with regard to Iran must end.

"Without consulting Congress, last week the Trump Administration launched an assault and military airstrike that targeted high-level military officials in Iran," said Rep. Adams. "This action put the lives of our servicemembers, diplomats and others in danger by risking further escalation of tension with Iran. Since the initial attack, the President has made clear that he does not have a strategic plan for keeping the American people safe, de-escalating conflict with Iran or a plan for ensuring stability in the region,"said Congresswoman Adams.

"As a Member of Congress, my first responsibility is to keep my constituents and the American people safe," **continued Congresswoman Adams**. "I have serious concerns about the Administration's apparent desire to engage in war. The Administration lacks a strategy for moving forward and it refuses to consult Congress or respect the Constitution and the war powers granted to the Congress. That is why, today, I joined my colleagues in the House of Representatives to vote in favor of a War Powers Resolution to limit the President's military actions regarding Iran. I, and my colleagues in Congress, take seriously our solemn oath and responsibility to protect American lives and values.'

"The Administration must work with Congress to advance an immediate solution to de-escalate the engagement with Iran to prevent a declaration of war and prevent the unnecessary loss of life."

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