

## **House Resolution No. 6010**

By Representative B. Carpenter

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1 A RESOLUTION supporting the Future Vertical Lift program as a part of  
2 United States Army modernization.

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4 WHEREAS, The United States of America faces a growing multi-  
5 faceted national security threat from near-peer challengers around the  
6 world; and

7 WHEREAS, The national security of the United States requires  
8 multiple critical modernization efforts across all branches of the United  
9 States military; and

10 WHEREAS, Kansas is home to five military installations, major  
11 members of the United States defense industrial base, world-class  
12 academic institutions and strategic assets essential to our national  
13 defense; and

14 WHEREAS, Our servicemen and women require vertical lift aircraft  
15 with greater reach, speed, agility, lethality and survivability to compete in  
16 the critical anti-access, anti-denial environments around the world; and

17 WHEREAS, The United States Army modernization plan involves six  
18 mutually supporting priorities, including Future Vertical Lift, to enable  
19 the joint force to counter evolving threats; and

20 WHEREAS, The Future Vertical Lift program involves a next-  
21 generation family of aircraft, enabling the United States Department of  
22 Defense to successfully meet these emerging and rapidly evolving  
23 threats; and

24 WHEREAS, Within the Future Vertical Lift program, the Future  
25 Long-Range Assault Aircraft program seeks to modernize the vertical lift  
26 fleet by delivering the most modern, versatile and lethal weapons systems  
27 in the world in order to win on the modern battlefield; and

28 WHEREAS, Future Long-Range Assault Aircraft will serve as the  
29 primary air assault, aerial medical evacuation and medium utility aircraft  
30 for the United States Army; and

31 WHEREAS, The United States Marine Corps is likewise assessing the  
32 platform for its future utility and attack requirements; and

33 WHEREAS, Future Long-Range Assault Aircraft would enhance the  
34 capability of the United States Army National Guard to execute national  
35 security missions and respond to domestic contingencies, such as natural  
36 disasters, as well as position the Guard as an operational strategic reserve;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, The Future Vertical Lift program generally, and the  
3 Future Long-Range Assault Aircraft program in particular, will help drive  
4 innovation and create research, development and employment  
5 opportunities in the Kansas aerospace and defense ecosystem; and

6 WHEREAS, The Future Long-Range Assault Aircraft program can  
7 deliver significant economic benefits and advance Kansas' objective to  
8 grow and diversify the state's economy while supporting national security  
9 efforts; and

10 WHEREAS, The Future Vertical Lift and Future Long-Range Assault  
11 Aircraft programs will require full funding and support from the federal  
12 government: Now, therefore,

13 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:*  
14 That the state of Kansas supports the United States Army's Future Vertical  
15 Lift program, including the Future Long-Range Assault Aircraft program  
16 as part of United States Army modernization plan; and

17 *Be it further resolved:* The state of Kansas requests the full support of  
18 the Kansas congressional delegation to ensure full funding for the Future  
19 Vertical Lift program, including the Future Long-Range Assault Aircraft  
20 program, in the President's federal budget and subsequent authorization  
21 and appropriations legislation; and

22 *Be it further resolved:* That the Chief Clerk of the House of  
23 Representatives shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to each  
24 member of the United States Senate and the United States House of  
25 Representatives serving Kansas.