

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 177

Reps. LaFave, Markkanen, O'Malley, Outman, Borton, Damoose, Eisen, Hoitenga, Posthumus, Calley, Whiteford, Mueller, Clements, Howell, Allor, VanSingel, Maddock, Meerman, Bellino, Beson, Griffin, Paquette, Rendon, Roth, Wakeman, Wozniak and Yaroch offered the following resolution:

1           A resolution to demand that President Biden and the United  
2 States Congress provide no support to the Taliban, either direct or  
3 indirect, including but not limited to aid.

4           Whereas, Over the past 20 years, the United States has  
5 provided billions of dollars in foreign aid to Afghanistan. The  
6 foreign aid had been used to help Afghan leaders establish a stable  
7 government and support the human rights of Afghan citizens; and

8           Whereas, Despite the billions of dollars that the United  
9 States provided Afghanistan in foreign aid, Taliban fighters

1 overran several provincial capitals less than two weeks after the  
2 complete withdrawal of U.S. troops from the country. This led to  
3 the departure of Afghanistan's president and the total collapse of  
4 the established government; and

5       Whereas, Attempting to use money as leverage to persuade the  
6 Taliban will prove to be futile and dangerous. The Taliban, unlike  
7 the previous Afghan leaders, have no reason to prioritize the  
8 stability and safety of the Afghan people. Providing financial  
9 support to Afghanistan would only strengthen the Taliban's efforts  
10 to terrorize its citizens and smother revolutions in their crib;  
11 now, therefore, be it

12       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we demand that  
13 President Biden and the United States Congress provide no support  
14 to the Taliban, either direct or indirect, including but not  
15 limited to aid; and be it further

16       Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the  
17 President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of  
18 Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, and the  
19 Michigan congressional delegation.