

In Support: Getting out of Afghanistan

For Consideration of the Middlesex, Norfolk, Worcester Democratic Alliance of Massachusetts

WHEREAS the war in Afghanistan has been waged for nearly a decade and has become the longest war in United States history; and

WHEREAS over 10,000 American men and women have been either wounded or scarred irreparably by physical and psychological damage or killed; and

WHEREAS the Karzai government is an unreliable partner and a demonstrably corrupt regime; and

WHEREAS the existing strategy has not resulted in an increased level of safety for the American people and can indeed be said to increase our peril

Now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the government of the United States of America will develop and implement without delay a plan for a swift end to engagement and withdrawal from Afghanistan; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Commander-in Chief will order the swift end to military engagement and military withdrawal from Afghanistan; and be it further

RESOLVED that the government of the United States of America will withdraw support from the Karzai government; and be it further

RESOLVED that the government of the United States of America will determine and make public the actual cost of the war in dollars and explain to the American people the impact or those dollars on our own economic health and future; and be it further

RESOLVED that the government of the United States of America will pursue a strategy other than occupation in Afghanistan, which ensures nothing but increasing hostility towards the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Middlesex, Norfolk, Worcester Democratic Alliance supports this document and strongly believes that leaving Afghanistan *is* a sign of the national will, *is not* a lack of patriotism, and *is* a sign of national strength. We will not rest until this war has ended and our soldiers are at home.