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STATEMENT BY CHAIRMAN DUNCAN HUNTER *On the Death of Former HASC Chairman Bob Stump*

“It is with great sadness that I learned that my good friend and former colleague Bob Stump passed away.

“Bob was a leader and dear friend to many of us in Congress, but he was also much more. He personified the true character of the American West through his integrity, loyalty and toughness in everything he did right to the end of his remarkable life.

“Bob started his career of public service younger than most, by joining the Navy at the age of sixteen in order to serve his nation in the great struggle of World War II. As part of that “greatest generation,” he came home after the war and became a successful businessman, rancher and public servant.

“As state representative, President of the Arizona State Senate, member of Congress and then Chairman of two important House committees, he always remained true to his roots and principles – putting service to his country, his state and his constituents above all other ambitions.

“Bob’s contributions to national security and the men and women in uniform were unprecedented as one of the few members of Congress to serve as both the Chairman of the House Veterans Affairs and Armed Services Committees.

“Our thoughts and prayers go out to Nancy, the children and the entire Stump family. We have lost a friend, but the nation has lost a one-of-a-kind public servant who’s humble but principled ways have left an indelible mark on all that were privileged to know him.

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