

# Urge Congress to End Unlawful Boat Strikes and Prevent War in Venezuela

Our campaign got off to an busy start with the U.S. military raid on January 3 that captured Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro and his wife, Cilia Flores, plus votes in both the Senate and the House – all in one month! While both measures ultimately failed, it was only with ties in both chambers. They were bipartisan, underscoring significant support for Congress reasserting its war powers. The Senate resolution cleared a procedural hurdle by a vote of 52-47, which reportedly caused President Trump to call off a second wave of strikes on Venezuela. Our advocacy matters!

In February, Advocacy Teams will shift from supporting War Powers Resolutions to advocating for stand-alone resolutions: S.3344, the Sen. Merkley/Kaine resolution, and H.R. 6915, a Rep. Moulton resolution. Advocacy Teams will continue to oppose to the illegal boat strikes. These continued after the raid on Caracas with a January 23 strike that killed two people and left a survivor.

Congressional pressure matters. Building co-sponsors on these resolutions can save lives and move towards Congress reasserting its constitutional war powers. Read our [new legislative ask](#) for H.R. 6915 and S. 3344.

As we continue our efforts to prevent war on Venezuela, we are also watching other areas. A U.S. military buildup near Iran caused Sen. Kaine (VA) to introduce an Iran War Powers Resolution and we encourage all Advocacy Team members to email their members about violent immigration enforcement. All these important issues are under our theme of “No War at Home or Abroad.” Let’s continue to call for peace and justice!

*Read more about the ask at [fcnl.org/teamtoolkit](https://fcnl.org/teamtoolkit)*

## Ask your Senators to...

*co-sponsor [S.3344, the Prohibiting Unauthorized Military Action in Venezuela Act of 2025](#)*

## Ask your Representative to...

*co-sponsor [H.R. 6915, the No Unauthorized Force in Venezuela Act](#)*

## Bonus Action

*Check your Member of Congress's website or contact their congressional office to see if they're hosting a town hall during the February 16-20 recess. Attend the town hall and try to ask a question – be sure to arrive early to speak with staff. Don't forget to submit a lobby report!*