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Expressing support for the nation and people of Japan and deepest condolences for the losses suffered as the result of the earthquake of January 17, 1995.

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Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. DOLE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. PELL, and Mr. ROBB) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the nation and people of Japan and deepest condolences for the losses suffered as the result of the earthquake of January 17, 1995.

Whereas on the morning of January 17, 1995 a devastating and deadly earthquake shook the cities of Kobe and Osaka, Japan killing more than 5,000 people injuring more than 25,000 and leaving more than 300,000 temporarily homeless;

Whereas the earthquake of January 17, 1995 has left more than 46,440 buildings in ruin, destroyed highways, train lines and other infrastructure and has caused losses of as much as \$80 billion in Kobe alone;

Whereas the tradition of strength, courage, determination, and community of the people of Japan has been displayed time again by the citizens of Kobe and Osaka and, indeed, all of Japan since the earthquake and has served as an inspiration to all of the world;

Whereas the nations and people of the United States and Japan share a strong, decades old history of friendship and mutual interests and respect; and

Whereas the people of the United States, having suffered a similar tragedy almost a year ago to the day of the Kobe and Osaka earthquake, share in the pain and hope of the people of Japan: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved,*

2 (1) The Senate expresses its deepest sympathies
3 to the nation of Japan and the citizens of Kobe and
4 Osaka for the tragic losses suffered as a result of
5 the earthquake of January 17, 1995.

6 (2) The Senate expresses its support to the peo-
7 ple of Japan as they continue their noble efforts to
8 rebuild their cities and their lives.

9 (3) The Senate expresses its friendship to the
10 people of Kobe and Osaka and pledges its support
11 for their efforts in the face of this disaster.

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