

105TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. RES. 597

Expressing the sense of the House with respect to the brutal killing of  
Mr. Matthew Shepard.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 14, 1998

Mrs. CUBIN (for herself and Ms. DEGETTE) submitted the following  
resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

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killing of Mr. Matthew Shepard.

1       *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House that—

2               (1) Mr. Matthew Shepard, a 21-year-old stu-  
3       dent at the University of Wyoming in Laramie, Wy-  
4       oming, was physically beaten and tortured, tied to a  
5       wooden fence and left for dead;

6               (2) Mr. Matthew Shepard died as a result of his  
7       injuries on October 12, 1998, in a Colorado hospital  
8       surrounded by his loving family and friends; and

9               (3) the House—

1 (A) condemns the actions which occurred  
2 in Laramie, Wyoming, as unacceptable and out-  
3 rageous;

4 (B) urges each Member of Congress and  
5 every citizen of the United States, in his or her  
6 own way, through his or her church, synagogue,  
7 mosque, workplace, or social organization, to  
8 join in denouncing and encouraging others to  
9 denounce this outrageous murder of another  
10 human being;

11 (C) pledges to join in efforts to bring an  
12 end to such crimes, and to encourage all Ameri-  
13 cans to dedicate themselves to ending violence  
14 in the United States; and

15 (D) pledges to do everything in its power  
16 to fight the sort of prejudice and intolerance  
17 that leads to the murder of innocent people.

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