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H. CON. RES. 285

Condemning the more than 500 anthrax threats sent to reproductive health centers and abortion providers since October 14, 2001.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 6, 2001

Ms. SLAUGHTER (for herself, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. GREENWOOD, and Mrs. MORELLA) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Condemning the more than 500 anthrax threats sent to reproductive health centers and abortion providers since October 14, 2001.

Whereas since October 14, 2001, reproductive health centers and abortion providers located throughout the United States have received more than 500 letters that purported to contain anthrax;

Whereas the Federal Bureau of Investigation considers these anthrax threats to be acts of domestic terrorism;

Whereas antichoice, extremist, clandestine organizations in the United States have claimed responsibility for these acts;

Whereas the response of law enforcement and fire departments to these acts of terrorism has consumed precious

resources that could have been devoted to other emergency services;

Whereas 7 murders, 17 attempted murders, 41 bombings, 165 arsons, 82 attempted arsons and bombings, 122 assaults, 343 death threats, 3 kidnappings, 315 trespasses, 948 acts of vandalism, 100 butyric acid attacks, and more than 600 anthrax threats have been perpetrated against abortion providers in North America; and

Whereas for more than 25 years abortion providers have had to go to work each day fearing intimidation, property damage, personal injury, and even death: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That Congress—

3 (1) condemns the more than 500 anthrax
4 threats sent to reproductive health centers and abor-
5 tion providers since October 14, 2001;

6 (2) supports reproductive health centers and
7 abortion providers as they continue to provide con-
8 stitutionally protected services to women and men in
9 the United States; and

10 (3) urges the administration, local law enforce-
11 ment, and related government agencies to continue
12 to make their best efforts to bring all those who
13 commit acts of terrorism to justice.

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