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Expressing the sense of the Senate concerning the 2002 World Cup and co-hosts Republic of Korea and Japan.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2002

Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. LOTT) submitted the following resolution;
which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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Reported by Mr. BIDEN, without amendment

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the United States maintains vitally important alliances with Japan and the Republic of Korea;

Whereas the Republic of Korea and Japan will co-host the 2002 Federation International Football Association (FIFA) World Cup Korea/Japan;

Whereas the 2002 FIFA World Cup will be the first World Cup to be co-hosted by two nations;

Whereas the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan will be the first FIFA World Cup to be held in Asia;

Whereas for 72 years, the World Cup has symbolized the assemblage of nations to celebrate fair-play, sportsmanship, and diversity of cultures;

Whereas 32 nations, including the United States, have qualified to compete from May 31 through June 30 of 2002, and will send an estimated 1,500 coaches and athletes to the Republic of Korea and Japan, making this year's World Cup the largest heretofore;

Whereas Japan and the Republic of Korea have invested significant resources to host a successful World Cup; and

Whereas the co-hosting of this international sporting event measures cooperation and contributes to peace and stability in Northeast Asia: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) appreciates and values the relationship be-
3 tween the United States and the Republic of Korea
4 and the United States and Japan;

5 (2) commends 2002 FIFA World Cup orga-
6 nizers from Japan and the Republic of Korea for the
7 significant preparations they have made for a suc-
8 cessful World Cup; and

9 (3) recognizes and applauds the cooperation be-
10 tween the President of the Republic of Korea, Kim
11 Dae-jung, and the Prime Minister of Japan,
12 Junichiro Koizumi, in the hosting of the largest
13 World Cup competition in the history of the sport.

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