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S. RES. 169

Expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a postage stamp commemorating Anne Frank.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. CLINTON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a postage stamp commemorating Anne Frank.

Whereas Anne Frank was born on June 12, 1929, in Frankfurt, Germany to a German-Jewish family;

Whereas Anne Frank and her family fled Nazi persecution of Jews in Germany and sought safety by moving to Amsterdam, the Netherlands;

Whereas subsequent Nazi occupation of the Netherlands forced the Frank family to go into hiding in an annex located above the office of Anne's father;

Whereas Anne Frank and her family spent 25 months in hiding, during which time Anne Frank kept a diary of her life and experiences;

Whereas Anne Frank and her family were eventually betrayed to the Nazis;

Whereas Anne Frank died in March 1945 in the Bergen-Belsen Nazi concentration camp;

Whereas Anne Frank was 1 of approximately 1,500,000 Jewish children who died at the hands of the Nazis during World War II;

Whereas Anne Frank's diary, published by her father after the end of the war, has become 1 of the most widely read memoirs of the Holocaust;

Whereas "The Diary of Anne Frank" has been translated into more than 67 languages and has sold more than 31,000,000 copies worldwide;

Whereas "The Diary of Anne Frank" is the first educational encounter with the Holocaust for many American students;

Whereas the story of Anne Frank has been repeatedly portrayed in motion pictures and theatrical productions;

Whereas millions of Americans have come to identify with Anne Frank and she has become an inspiration to children of all faiths;

Whereas Anne Frank is thought of as a representative of children throughout the world who find themselves in situations of war, subjugation, and oppression;

Whereas Anne Frank represents the victims of the Holocaust and serves as an enduring symbol of bravery, hope, and tolerance in the face of harsh and brutal conditions;

Whereas "The Diary of Anne Frank" has proven beneficial in assisting young people in dealing with issues of discrimination, bigotry, and hate crimes; and

Whereas Anne Frank would have been 75 years old in 2004:

Now, therefore, be it

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

2 (1) the United States Postal Service should

3 issue a postage stamp commemorating Anne Frank;

4 and

5 (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee

6 should recommend to the Postmaster General that

7 such a stamp be issued.

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