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H. RES. 911

Expressing sympathy for the people of India in the aftermath of the deadly terrorist attacks in Mumbai on July 11, 2006.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CROWLEY (for himself and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

Expressing sympathy for the people of India in the aftermath of the deadly terrorist attacks in Mumbai on July 11, 2006.

Whereas the Republic of India was founded in 1947 on the principles of democracy, the rule of law, and equality for all religions, ethnicities, and sects;

Whereas India is the largest democracy in the world;

Whereas since its establishment, India has been threatened by terrorists determined to undermine its principles;

Whereas the Governments of the United States and India are entering a historic chapter in their bilateral relationship;

Whereas the Government of India has been an ally of the Global War on Terror and offered immediate assistance

to the United States after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001;

Whereas on July 18, 2005, the United States and India entered into an agreement to declare their resolve to transform the relationship between their countries and establish a global partnership;

Whereas the 2005 agreement committed both the United States and India to the values of human freedom, democracy, and the rule of law;

Whereas the relationship between the United States and India will promote stability, democracy, prosperity, and peace throughout the world and enhance the ability of both countries to work together to provide global leadership in areas of mutual concern and interest;

Whereas on July 11, 2006, grenade attacks were made on civilians in Kashmir that killed at least eight people and injured forty more;

Whereas shortly thereafter on that same day, eight coordinated bombs exploded on commuter rail lines in Mumbai, India, that killed 200 people and injured hundreds more;

Whereas eight explosions occurred within 30 minutes starting at 6 p.m., creating chaos and destruction in Mumbai, a city of 16 million people;

Whereas 6.6 million people per day rely on the Mumbai commuter rail lines to take them to and from work;

Whereas the coordinated terrorist attacks started at the height of rush hour to maximize the death toll;

Whereas hundreds of innocent civilians were killed and hundreds more injured as a result of the terrorist attacks;

Whereas the terrorists were determined to attack the financial capital of India to cause economic terror; and

Whereas people of India quickly responded to the attack by turning out to donate blood, taking bed sheets to turn into stretchers, and offering assistance and comfort to the victims of the attack: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) expresses its deepest condolences to the peo-
3 ple of India and the victims and their families for
4 the terrorist attacks that occurred in Mumbai on
5 July 11, 2006;

6 (2) condemns these heinous and unjustified at-
7 tacks on the people of Mumbai;

8 (3) expresses the resolve of the United States to
9 strengthen and support the newly-expanded relation-
10 ship with India, a friend and democratic ally of the
11 United States; and

12 (4) calls upon the international community to
13 renew and strengthen efforts to—

14 (A) combat the social injustice, oppression,
15 poverty, and extremism that breeds terrorism;

16 (B) defeat terrorists in all countries by de-
17 feating the ideology and the networks of terror-
18 ists that train and carry out attacks; and

- 1 (C) increase international cooperation to
- 2 advance all human rights.

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