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RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST TERMS THE TERRORIST ATTACK IN BESLAN, NORTH OSSETIA, RUSSIA; EXTENDING ITS DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES OF THE VICTIMS, TO THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE, AND THE DUMA, THE PARLIAMENT OF RUSSIA.

Whereas, some 350 people, mostly school children, died and many more were wounded in firefights and bomb explosions that occurred after separatists from Chechnya seized a school in Beslan, North Ossetia, Russia, held hostage the school children therein and set-off bombs in the school gymnasium;

Whereas, militants demanding the withdrawal of Russian troops from Chechnya staged the terrorist attack to pressure the Russian government into granting Chechnya independence;

Whereas, this ruthless massacre of innocent people left the bereaved families of the victims, the Russian Federation and the whole world in shock and rage;

Whereas, this dreadful incident proves that terrorism knows no boundaries, and has no respect for the innocent victims in attaining its selfish ends;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to express the sense of the Senate condemning in the strongest terms the terrorist attack in Beslan, North Ossetia, Russia, extending its deepest condolences to the families of the victims, to the Russian people, and the Duma, the parliament of Russia.

Adopted,


AQUILINO Q. PIMENTEL, JR.