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Condemning the bombing in Oklahoma City.

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Mr. LUCAS (for himself, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. BREWSTER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. LARGENT, and Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Condemning the bombing in Oklahoma City.

Whereas on Wednesday, April 19, 1995, a car bomb exploded outside the Alfred P. Murrah Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, collapsing the north face of this 9-story concrete building, killing and injuring innocent and defenseless children and adults;

Whereas authorities are calling this the “deadliest terrorist attack ever on United States soil”;

Whereas Federal law provides for the imposition of the death penalty for terrorist murder; and

Whereas additional antiterrorism measures are now pending for consideration in the United States House of Representatives: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) condemns, in the strongest possible terms,
3 the heinous bombing attack against innocent chil-
4 dren and adults at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal
5 Building in Oklahoma City;

6 (2) sends its heartfelt condolences to the fami-
7 lies, friends, and loved ones of those whose lives
8 were taken away by this abhorrent and cowardly act;
9 and expresses its hopes for the rapid and complete
10 recovery of those wounded in the bombing;

11 (3) applauds all those courageous rescue and
12 volunteer workers who are giving unselfishly of
13 themselves, and commends all law enforcement offi-
14 cials who are working determinedly to bring the per-
15 petrators to justice;

16 (4) supports the President's and the United
17 States Attorney General's position that Federal
18 prosecutors will seek the maximum penalty allowed
19 by law, including the death penalty, for those re-
20 sponsible;

21 (5) commends the rapid actions taken by the
22 President to provide assistance to the victims of the
23 explosion and for promptly beginning an investiga-
24 tion to find the perpetrators of this crime, and it
25 urges the President to use all necessary means to

1 continue this effort until the perpetrators and their
2 accomplices are found and appropriately punished;
3 and

4 (6) will expeditiously approve legislation to
5 strengthen the authority and resources of all Federal
6 agencies involved in combating such acts of terror-
7 ism.

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