

105TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. RES. 313

Expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to the brutal killing of
Mr. Matthew Shepard.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 21 (legislative day, OCTOBER 2), 1998

Mr. THOMAS (for himself and Mr. ENZI) submitted the following resolution;
which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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killing of Mr. Matthew Shepard.

Whereas Mr. Matthew Shepard, a 21-year-old student at the
University of Wyoming in Laramie, Wyoming, was phys-
ically beaten and tortured, tied to a wooden fence and
left for dead; and

Whereas Mr. Matthew Shepard died as a result of his injuries
on October 12, 1998, in a Colorado hospital, surrounded
by his loving family and friends: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the Senate*, That it is the sense of the
 - 2 Senate that it—
 - 3 (1) condemns the actions which occurred in
 - 4 Laramie, Wyoming, as unacceptable and outrageous;
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1 (2) urges each member of Congress and every
2 citizen of the United States, in his or her own way,
3 through his or her church, synagogue, mosque,
4 workplace, or social organization, to join in denounc-
5 ing and encouraging others to denounce this out-
6 rageous murder of another human being;

7 (3) pledges to join in efforts to bring an end to
8 such crimes, and to encourage all Americans to dedi-
9 cate themselves to ending violence in the United
10 States; and

11 (4) pledges to do everything in its power to
12 fight prejudice and intolerance that leads to the
13 murder of innocent people.

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