

## **H. Res. 448**

### ***In the House of Representatives, U.S.,***

*April 10, 2000.*

Whereas on April 19, 1995, as the result of an act of terrorism, a bomb exploded in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, collapsing the north face of the 9-story Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building;

Whereas April 19, 2000, marks the 5th anniversary of this tragic event;

Whereas the explosion killed more than 168 people, including 19 children, and injured more than 700 others in the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building and in and around surrounding buildings;

Whereas the explosion destroyed a childcare facility located in the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, killing 15 children;

Whereas 320 surrounding buildings were impacted from the explosion;

Whereas flying glass and debris from the explosion were a major cause of injury; and

Whereas greater awareness and sensitivity to the safe design and operation of buildings could help make the people who live and work in and around the buildings safer: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes the countless acts of goodwill by the thousands of volunteers (including those who donated goods and services), rescue workers, and Federal, State, and local officials who assisted in the rescue and recovery efforts following the bombing in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on April 19, 1995;

(2) sends continued condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones who still suffer from the consequences of the bombing;

(3) pledges to make Federal buildings safer, while still maintaining a level of openness to the citizens served by the buildings;

(4) pledges to create an awareness of the dangers of flying glass and debris resulting from an act of terrorism, an explosion, or a natural disaster; and

(5) pledges to support efforts to make buildings more secure for people from flying glass and debris and to promote the use of available technology to protect people from such glass and debris.

Attest:

*Clerk.*