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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Condemning bigotry and violence against Arab-Americans, American Muslims, and Americans from South Asia in the wake of terrorist attacks in New York City, New York, and Washington, D.C., on September 11, 2001.

Whereas all Americans are united in condemning, in the strongest possible terms, the terrorists who planned and carried out the attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001, and in pursuing all those responsible for these attacks and their sponsors until they are brought to justice and punished;

Whereas the Arab-American, South Asian-American, and American Muslim communities are a vital part of the Nation;

Whereas on September 12, 2001, in a mass for the Nation and the victims of the terrorist hijackings and attacks, Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, the Archbishop of Washington, D.C., reminded all Americans in prayer that “we must seek the guilty and not strike out against the innocent or we become like them who are without moral guidance or direction”;

Whereas the heads of State of several Arab and predominantly Muslim countries have condemned the terrorist attacks on the United States and the senseless loss of innocent lives; and

Whereas vengeful threats and incidents of violence directed at law-abiding, patriotic Americans of Arab or South Asian descent, particularly the Sikh community, and adherents of the Islamic faith have already occurred: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the Congress—

3 (1) declares that in the quest to identify, bring
4 to justice, and punish the perpetrators and sponsors
5 of the terrorist attacks on the United States on Sep-
6 tember 11, 2001, that the civil rights and civil lib-
7 erties of all American, including Arab-Americans,
8 American Muslims, and Americans from South Asia,
9 should be protected; and

1 (2) condemns any acts of violence or discrimi-
2 nation against any Americans, including Arab-Amer-
3 icans, American Muslims, and Americans from
4 South Asia.

Passed the House of Representatives September 15
(legislative day, September 14), 2001.

Attest: JEFF TRANDAHL,
Clerk.