H. Res. 385

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

April 23, 2002.

Whereas the United States Customs Service offices located in 6 World Trade Center were destroyed on September 11, 2001, as a result of terrorist attacks;

Whereas the men and women of the United States Customs Service in 6 World Trade Center selflessly, and at great risk, ensured no one was left behind in the imperiled building and continued to extricate coworkers until all 760 Customs employees were safe and accounted for;

Whereas the men and women of the United States Customs Service in 6 World Trade Center selflessly, and at great risk, ensured the safety of others while assisting national, State, and local officials in continued rescue and recovery efforts;

Whereas the United States Customs Service established a temporary operations center at JFK Airport just hours after the attack and worked tirelessly to permanently relocate the New York Customs office only 3 weeks later;

Whereas the dedicated men and women of the United States Customs Service continue to sift through the debris at 6 World Trade Center to retrieve vital evidence, which has since aided in recent criminal convictions; and

Whereas the United States Customs Service, with increased resolve, continues its vigil to safeguard our borders and serve on the frontline in our Nation's war against terrorism, and the men and women of the United States Customs Service represent a dedication to duty in the highest traditions of the Department of the Treasury and the United States of America: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) honors the continued dedication of the men and women assigned to the United States Custom Service, New York operations;

(2) recognizes the critical importance of the United States Customs Service on the frontline of our national security efforts; and

(3) supports providing the necessary resources to ensure the full operation of the United States Customs Service, New York operations, and that of Customs nationwide.

Attest:

Clerk.