

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. RES. 440

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 7, 2006

Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mrs. DOLE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Congratulating and commending the members of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams, and the United States Olympic Committee, for their success and inspired leadership.

Whereas athletes of the United States Winter Olympic Team captured 9 gold medals, 9 silver medals, and 7 bronze medals at the Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy;

Whereas the total number of medals won by the competitors of the United States placed the United States ahead of all but 1 country, Germany, in total medals awarded to teams from any 1 country;

Whereas the paralympic athletes of the United States captured 7 gold medals, 2 silver medals, and 3 bronze medals at the Paralympic Winter Games, which were held im-

mediately after the Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy;

Whereas the total medal count for the United States Winter Paralympic Team ranked the team 7th among all participating teams;

Whereas members of the United States Winter Olympic Team, such as skater Joey Cheek, who donated his considerable monetary earnings to relief efforts in Darfur, Sudan, and skier Lindsey Kildow, who exhibited considerable courage by returning to the field of competition only days after a painful and horrendous accident, demonstrated the true spirit of generosity and tenacity of the United States and the Olympic Winter Games; and

Whereas the leadership displayed by United States Olympic Committee Board Chairman Peter Ueberroth and Chief Executive Officer Jim Scherr has helped transform the committee into an organization that—

(1) upholds the highest ideals of the Olympic movement; and

(2) discharges the responsibilities of the committee to the athletes and the citizens of the United States in the manner that Congress intended when it chartered the committee in 1978: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) commends and congratulates the members  
3       of the 2006 United States Winter Olympic and  
4       Paralympic Teams;

5               (2) expresses its appreciation for the firm, in-  
6       spired, and ethical leadership displayed by the  
7       United States Olympic Committee; and

1           (3) extends its best wishes and encouragement  
2           to those athletes of the United States and their nu-  
3           merous supporters who are preparing to represent  
4           the United States at the 2008 Olympic Games,  
5           which are to be held in Beijing, China.

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