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S. RES. 577

To express the sense of the Senate regarding the use of gasoline and other fuels by Federal departments and agencies.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 22, 2008

Mr. Warner (for himself, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Chambliss, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Carper, Mr. Burr, Mr. Sununu, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Dorgan) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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Whereas each day, as Americans contend with rising gasoline prices, personal stories reflect the ways in which—

- (1) family budgets are suffering; and
- (2) the cost of gasoline is impacting the way Americans cope with that serious problem in family and work environments;

Whereas, as a consequence of economic pressures, Americans are finding ways to reduce consumption of gasoline, such as—

- (1) driving less frequently;
- (2) altering daily routines; and

- (3) even changing family vacation plans;
- Whereas those conservation efforts bring hardships but save funds that can be redirected to meet essential family needs;
- Whereas, just as individuals are reducing energy consumption, the Federal Government, including Congress, should take steps to conserve energy;
- Whereas a Government-wide initiative to conserve energy would send a signal to Americans that the Federal Government—
 - (1) recognizes the burdens imposed by unprecedented energy costs; and
 - (2) will participate in activities to reduce energy consumption; and
- Whereas an overall reduction of gasoline consumption by the Federal Government by even a few percentage points would send a strong signal that, as a nation, the United States is joining to conserve energy: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that the
 - 2 President should require all Federal departments and
 - 3 agencies to take initiatives to reduce daily consumption
 - 4 of gasoline and other fuels by the departments and agen-
 - 5 cies.

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