

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 187

Condemning the use of violence against providers of health care services
to women.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 17, 2009

Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. DODD, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. KAUFMAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BURRIS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BAUCUS, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. INOUE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. TESTER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. REED, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mrs. LINCOLN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Condemning the use of violence against providers of health
care services to women.

Whereas Dr. George Tiller of Wichita, Kansas, was shot to
death while attending church on Sunday, May 31, 2009;

Whereas there is a history of violence against providers of re-
productive health care, as health care employees have suf-
fered threats, hostility, and attacks in order to provide
crucial services to patients;

Whereas the threat or use of force or physical obstruction has been used to injure, intimidate, or interfere with individuals seeking to obtain or provide health care services; and

Whereas acts of violence are never an acceptable means of expression and shall always be condemned: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) expresses great sympathy for the family,
3 friends, and patients of Dr. George Tiller;

4 (2) recognizes that acts of violence should never
5 be used to prevent women from receiving reproduc-
6 tive health care; and

7 (3) condemns the use of violence as a means of
8 resolving differences of opinion.

○