

113TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. RES. 98

Honoring the life, legacy, and example of British Prime Minister Baroness  
Margaret Thatcher.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 16, 2013

Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. VITTER) submitted the following  
resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Honoring the life, legacy, and example of British Prime  
Minister Baroness Margaret Thatcher.

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher was born on October  
13, 1925, in Grantham, United Kingdom;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher first visited the United  
States in 1967;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher became the first and,  
to date, only female Prime Minister of the United King-  
dom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in 1979;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher served as Prime Min-  
ister for 11 years, making her the longest-serving Prime  
Minister in the 20th century;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher in 1982 led United  
Kingdom efforts to liberate the Falkland Islands after

they had been invaded and occupied by the Government of Argentina;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher in 1983 supported the deployment of United States nuclear cruise missiles at United Kingdom bases and the deployment by the United States of short-range nuclear missiles in Europe when there was stiff opposition to her doing so;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher in 1984 survived an assassination attempt by the Irish Republican Army in Brighton, United Kingdom, and declared that “all attempts to destroy democracy by terrorism will fail”;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher in 1986 allowed U.S. F-111s to fly from British territory to attack sites in Libya in response to the Berlin discotheque bombing which killed 2 members of the United States Armed Forces;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher’s personal relationship with President Ronald Reagan demonstrated once again that the special relationship between the United States and the United Kingdom is a powerful force for good in the world;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher stood shoulder to shoulder with United States leaders against the Soviet Union and the threats posed by communism;

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher defended United Kingdom sovereignty within the European Economic Community; and

Whereas Baroness Margaret Thatcher dedicated her life to the cause of democracy, freedom, and economic liberty for the United Kingdom and the world: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) honors the legacy of Baroness Margaret  
3       Thatcher for her life-long commitment to advancing  
4       freedom, liberty, and democracy throughout the  
5       world;

6               (2) extends its deepest condolences and sym-  
7       pathy to the family of Baroness Margaret Thatcher  
8       and the people of the United Kingdom of Great  
9       Britain and Northern Ireland;

10              (3) recognizes that Baroness Margaret Thatch-  
11       er, working with President Ronald Reagan, helped  
12       bring a peaceful end to the Cold War;

13              (4) reiterates its continued support for the close  
14       tie and the special relationship between the United  
15       States and the United Kingdom; and

16              (5) expresses admiration for Baroness Margaret  
17       Thatcher and her legacy as an inspirational and  
18       transformative leader in the United Kingdom and  
19       the world.

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