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S. RES. 694

Condemning the horrific, anti-Semitic attack at a synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, expressing support and prayers for all those affected by the tragedy, and applauding the dedication and bravery of law enforcement and emergency response officials in responding to the attack.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 15, 2018

Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Mr. DONNELLY, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. ERNST, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. GARDNER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. HELLER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. JONES, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KYL, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SASSE, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCOTT, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. UDALL, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Condemning the horrific, anti-Semitic attack at a synagogue

in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, expressing support and prayers for all those affected by the tragedy, and applauding the dedication and bravery of law enforcement and emergency response officials in responding to the attack.

Whereas, on October 27, 2018, a mass shooting took place at the Tree of Life synagogue in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where members of the Tree of Life, Dor Hadash, and New Light Jewish congregations were engaged in Shabbat morning services;

Whereas 11 innocent people were killed in the attack, and 6 others suffered injuries, including 4 law enforcement officers who responded to the attack;

Whereas the people of the United States are grateful for the swift action of law enforcement officers, emergency response teams, and medical professionals who responded to the attack;

Whereas the perpetrator of the attack espoused anti-Semitic views and targeted the people worshipping at the Tree of Life synagogue because of their religious beliefs;

Whereas the attack is believed to be the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in the history of the United States;

Whereas anti-Semitism is a pernicious and offensive form of prejudice that runs contrary to the values of the United States; and

Whereas the number of anti-Semitic incidents, including assaults, vandalism, and harassment, in the United States has increased every year since 2013, according to the Anti-Defamation League: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

1 (1) condemns the horrific, anti-Semitic attack
2 at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, Penn-
3 sylvania, on October 27, 2018, in which 11 innocent
4 people were killed and 6 were injured;

5 (2) honors the memory of the victims who were
6 killed and expresses the hope that their memory may
7 be a blessing to their families and community;

8 (3) expresses hope for a full and speedy recov-
9 ery and pledges continued support for the people
10 who were injured in the attack;

11 (4) offers heartfelt condolences and deepest
12 sympathies to the Tree of Life, Dor Hadash, and
13 New Life Jewish congregations, the Pittsburgh Jew-
14 ish community, and the families, friends, and loved
15 ones affected by the tragedy;

16 (5) honors the selfless and dedicated service of
17 the law enforcement and emergency response offi-
18 cials who responded to the attack and the medical
19 professionals who provided and continue to provide
20 care for the victims;

21 (6) condemns rising anti-Semitism and stands
22 with the Jewish community in Pittsburgh, the
23 United States, and around the world; and

24 (7) reaffirms the commitment of the United
25 States—

1 (A) to condemn anti-Semitism in all its
2 forms;

3 (B) to protect the right of the people of
4 the United States to freely exercise their reli-
5 gious beliefs; and

6 (C) to ensure the safety and security of all
7 people of the United States.

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