

commemorating the solemn occasion of the first anniversary of September 11, 2001, and the vicious attack on the United States and its people that day.

September 11 will long be remembered not just for the death and destruction brought upon America and too many of our people, but also for the day in which innocence was lost. The hijacking of civilian aircraft and the taking of thousands of innocent bystanders' lives will forever be among the most heinous of crimes against humanity. Yet, while the attacks, designed to shake our Nation to its deepest roots and break our spirit to be a leader of the Free World, they only served to strengthen our resolve and show the world that the American sense of kindness and community could not be broken even by the most awful of acts.

In the midst of a living hell only Dante could describe, Americans rose to respond, first by the police, firefighters, and emergency medical personnel who poured into burning buildings which had become infernos, risking life and limb to save a fellow citizen and later by military force. As we now know, many made the ultimate sacrifice. Yet, rather than create panic and chaos, the attacks by the terrorists only served to underscore our resolve. Clearly, in the early hours following the attacks, the actions of otherwise ordinary Americans proved beyond a reasonable doubt that the terrorists failed in their ultimate goal. While they were able to cause pain and suffering and shatter a sense of security felt here at home, they failed in destroying the spirit which is America. And, in causing the death and destruction, they exposed the world to their own twisted ideology of anger and hate and a lack of respect for freedom and human life.

Mr. Speaker, in the intervening months, America, with our allies, has proven militarily that we can and will respond to defend ourselves and our freedom throughout the world. But even as important as it has been to respond swiftly and forcefully, it is now clear that the actions of those Americans who gave their lives on September 11, 2001, and those who responded to help them, and the faith that they inspired in the rest of us, resulted in a victory over the terrorists that very day.

Now, we must continue to battle for freedom and democracy throughout the world, not only for our own defense, but also in the memory of those who first gave their lives for the cause on September 11, 2001.

GOODWILL OF UKRAINE HELPS AMERICA HEAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. SCHAFFER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, this hallowed day, the anniversary of the

terrible terrorist attacks upon the United States, is one that is observed throughout America. The eloquence of our colleagues in this House has stirred our hearts, described our attitudes, and revealed the Nation's character. America's tragedy is mourned this day throughout the world, too.

It is important for Americans to understand and appreciate the outpouring of support, the gestures of solidarity, and the prayers of the faithful bestowed upon us by the people of the world. As cochairman of the Congressional Ukrainian Caucus, I rise today to speak about one country's goodwill toward the American people in commemoration of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack.

Throughout my tenure in Congress, I have always been an ardent supporter of democratic development in Ukraine. The full commercial and strategic potential of a democratic Ukraine is staggering and the desire for freedom is deeply routed in the American psyche.

Mr. Speaker, in the House the days and the weeks following the attacks, the Ukrainian people grieved with America and the rest of the world. The sentiments of the Ukrainian people were echoed in a letter from Bishop Stanislaw Shyrokoradiuk of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Kyiv-Zhytomyr. Here is what the bishop said, what he wrote:

"I would like to present to you and in you, to all American people, our condolences because of the terrible tragedy that has stricken the whole world.

"We have been deeply shaken to know about the series of acts of terrorism that happened in the United States of America yesterday.

"It has been an awful blow by its cruelty and scale that struck not only the U.S.A., but all humanity. I received this notice during spiritual retreats in our Higher Spiritual Seminary in Vorzel, where all priests of our Diocese came. As a sign of our unity and sympathy in your grief, we celebrated Holy Mass for the souls of the departed and prayed for all victims. May the Lord strengthen them by His grace that they may outlive this horrible disaster.

"There are Divine Services and prayers said for the souls of the departed victims, and for all of those who have suffered, in all of our churches.

"These day our hearts and prayers are with you and your people.

"Sincerely Yours, Bishop Stanislaw Shyrokoradiuk, the Vicar general of Kyiv Zhytomyr Diocese." Bishop Shyrokoradiuk in Ukraine sent that the day after.

As a country, Ukraine immediately declared its solidarity with the United States, offering its support morally, technically, militarily and with the capabilities of its infrastructure. Ukraine's stance clearly demonstrated its friendship with the United States and the forces of freedom.

Most helpful has been Ukraine's clearance of airspace for nearly 5,000

aircraft flying in from Afghanistan and aid in transporting allied troops and materiel by air and train. Ukraine also provided planes and crews in order to provide transportation for coalition forces and humanitarian missions over Iran.

Ukrainian security forces have been cooperating with Americans offering intelligence regarding the fighting in Afghanistan and other security concerns. Ukraine's international efforts in leading the Georgia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, and Georgia Group, called GUUAM, to secure strategic transport corridors from terrorist activity have helped secure the entire regional community. Ukraine has cooperated with us in blocking and investigating the financial transactions and accounts of suspected terrorists.

Just today, Mr. Speaker, Ukraine's parliament, the Verkhovna (Supreme) Rada, unanimously passed three resolutions in support of America. One extends Ukraine's profound sympathy to the families and friends of victims. The other directs the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine to establish a memorial at the World Trade Center in New York to the Ukrainians who perished there. The third resolution outlines Ukraine's commitment to the future of freedom and reaffirms Ukraine's solidarity in the war on terrorism and its commitment to strengthening international peace and security.

This latter resolution lucidly addresses issues of global concern, including environmental problems and global health issues. Currently, Ukraine is preparing to send two IL-76 cargo planes loaded with small arms, ammunition, and other military equipment to outfit the Afghan National Army.

This morning, the President of Ukraine, Leonid Kuchma, met with our ambassador, Carlos Pascual. The President pledged his country's continued support for Operation Enduring Freedom and expressed his regret for the loss of lives in America 1 year ago.

This afternoon, Ukraine's Ambassador Kostyantyn Gryshchenko visited me in my office here in Washington, D.C. and extended his country's condolences, support, and solidarity. He asked me to express to the House Ukraine's commitment to America's war on terrorism. He assured me that the prayers of countless Ukrainians are for the repose of the souls of the victims.

At this moment in Kyiv, Mr. Speaker, Ukrainians are paying their respects as they observe a large photo collage of Ground Zero. The display honors the emergency workers and heroes of 9-11. There is a similar exhibit at the Ukrainian National Gallery; and on Friday, they will hold a commemorative concert at the National Opera.

Ukraine's condemnation of international terrorism, its much-appreciated support on the war on terrorism, its tough, newly enacted laws to combat terrorism and its commitment to fight at the side of the United States

and its allies for civil society and democracy clearly demonstrates the role Ukraine and her people intend to play. Ukraine's support for America is deeply appreciated.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the people of Ukraine for their condolences and camaraderie and commend Ukraine's leaders for standing shoulder to shoulder with the United States. I will submit for the RECORD at this time the resolution that was adopted this morning by Ukraine's parliament.

THE LESSONS OF THE TRAGEDY ARE NOT TO BE FORGOTTEN

STATEMENT BY THE VERKHOVNA RADA OF UKRAINE ON THE OCCASION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE EVENTS IN THE UNITED STATES ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

The year that passed after the tragedy in the United States of America did not assuage anger and indignation at malevolent actions of terrorists, pain and bitterness over the loss of thousands of innocent people who died in the airplanes, skyscrapers of the World Trade Center in New York, and offices of the Pentagon. Paying homage to their memory we express once again our sympathy with families and loved ones of the victims.

The last year tragedy has taught the mankind many lessons. First of all it demonstrated that neither financial and economic power, nor possession of unprecedented arsenals of modern arms can guarantee security even for the most powerful state of the world. It has become even more obvious that only with united and coordinated actions can the mankind overcome the international terrorism and religious fundamentalism.

Realization of that led to creation of the anti-terrorist coalition that included dozens of countries. An important role within the coalition belongs to Ukraine, whose foreign policy major goals are strengthening of the international peace and security, maintaining peaceful, equitable, and mutually beneficial cooperation with members of the international community consonant with the generally accepted principles and norms of the international law.

The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine considers it exceptionally important to apply the experience of the anti-terrorist coalition to strengthening cooperation of members of the international community in overcoming such global challenges as deepening gap between a handful of the richest countries and numerous less developed nations and countries in transition; catastrophic impoverishment of hundreds of millions of people; spread of drug abuse, infectious disease, corruption and organized crime; depletion of water and other natural resources; pollution; dangerous accumulation of nuclear, chemical, and other weapons of mass destruction; strive for hegemony and dictates in international relations; attempts to use objective processes of globalization and internationalization in the selfish interests of one state or a group of states.

United, the mankind is capable to ensure protection of the environment and biodiversity, acceleration of economic and social growth of every member of the international community. We consistently support the increasing role of the United Nations in resolving international problems, strict compliance with requirements of the UN Charter on conflict resolution and prevention of threats to peace and security of the nations.

The documents of the World Summit on Sustainable Development held recently in Johannesburg attracted attention in the Ukrainian society. By taking unprecedented

decisions to voluntarily renounce the third largest nuclear arsenal and close up the Chernobyl nuclear power station, Ukraine, having been left alone with these very complicated problems, demonstrated to the world its devotion to the cause of peace and international security and adherence to its international commitments.

Reflecting on the lessons of the last year September tragedy, we consider it our duty to draw once again the attention of the international community to the above issues and call on all the nations to consolidate and multiply their efforts to overcome global challenges facing the mankind in the 21st century.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 5 p.m.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 26 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 5 p.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GILCREST) at 5 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF CONGRESS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF TERRORIST ATTACKS LAUNCHED AGAINST THE UNITED STATES ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of agreeing to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 464, on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the concurrent resolution on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 370, nays 0, not voting 63, as follows:

[Roll No. 384]

YEAS—370

Abercrombie	Bishop	Capito	Davis (IL)	Kanjorski	Rangel
Aderholt	Blagojevich	Capps	Davis, Jo Ann	Kaptur	Regula
Akin	Blumenauer	Cardin	Davis, Tom	Keller	Rehberg
Allen	Blunt	Carson (IN)	Deal	Kennedy (MN)	Reyes
Andrews	Boehler	Carson (OK)	DeFazio	Kerns	Reynolds
Armedy	Boehner	Castle	DeGette	Kildee	Riley
Baca	Bonilla	Chabot	Delahunt	Kilpatrick	Rivers
Bachus	Bonior	Chambliss	DeLauro	Kind (WI)	Rodriguez
Baird	Bono	Clay	DeLay	Kirk	Roemer
Baker	Boozman	Clayton	DeMint	Knollenberg	Rogers (KY)
Baldacci	Borski	Clyburn	Deutsch	Kolbe	Rogers (MI)
Baldwin	Boucher	Coble	Diaz-Balart	Kucinich	Rohrabacher
Ballenger	Boyd	Collins	Dicks	LaFalce	Ros-Lehtinen
Barcia	Brady (TX)	Combest	Dingell	LaHood	Ross
Barrett	Brown (OH)	Condit	Doggett	Lampson	Roybal-Allard
Barton	Brown (SC)	Cooksey	Dooley	Langevin	Royce
Bass	Bryant	Costello	Doolittle	Lantos	Rush
Becerra	Burr	Cox	Doyle	Larsen (WA)	Ryan (WI)
Bentsen	Burton	Coyne	Dreier	Larson (CT)	Ryun (KS)
Bereuter	Buyer	Cramer	Duncan	Latham	Sabo
Berkley	Callahan	Crenshaw	Dunn	LaTourette	Sanchez
Berman	Calvert	Cubin	Edwards	Leach	Sanders
Berry	Camp	Culberson	Ehlers	Lee	Sandlin
Biggett	Cannon	Cunningham	Ehrlich	Lewis (CA)	Sawyer
Bilirakis	Cantor	Davis (CA)	Emerson	Lewis (GA)	Saxton
			Engel	Lewis (KY)	Schaffer
			English	Linder	Schakowsky
			Eshoo	Lipinski	Schiff
			Etheridge	LoBiondo	Schrock
			Evans	Lofgren	Scott
			Everett	Lucas (KY)	Sensenbrenner
			Farr	Lucas (OK)	Sessions
			Filner	Luther	Shadegg
			Flake	Lynch	Shaw
			Foley	Maloney (CT)	Sherman
			Forbes	Maloney (NY)	Sherwood
			Ford	Manzullo	Shimkus
			Frank	Markey	Shows
			Frelinghuysen	Mascara	Simmons
			Frost	Matheson	Simpson
			Ganske	Matsui	Skeen
			Gekas	McCarthy (MO)	Skelton
			Gephardt	McCarthy (NY)	Slaughter
			Gibbons	McCollum	Smith (NJ)
			Gilchrest	McCrery	Smith (TX)
			Gillmor	McDermott	Smith (WA)
			Goode	McGovern	Snyder
			Goodlatte	McHugh	Solis
			Gordon	McInnis	Spratt
			Goss	McIntyre	Stark
			Graham	McKeon	Stearns
			Granger	McNulty	Stenholm
			Graves	Meek (FL)	Strickland
			Green (TX)	Meeks (NY)	Sullivan
			Green (WI)	Mica	Sununu
			Greenwood	Millender-	Sweeney
			Gutierrez	McDonald	Tancredo
			Gutknecht	Miller, Dan	Tanner
			Hall (TX)	Miller, Jeff	Tauscher
			Hansen	Mollohan	Tauzin
			Harman	Moore	Taylor (MS)
			Hart	Moran (KS)	Taylor (NC)
			Hastert	Moran (VA)	Terry
			Hastings (FL)	Morella	Thomas
			Hayes	Myrick	Thompson (CA)
			Hayworth	Napolitano	Thompson (MS)
			Hefley	Nethercutt	Thornberry
			Herger	Ney	Thune
			Hill	Northup	Thurman
			Hilliard	Norwood	Tiahrt
			Hinchev	Nussle	Tiberi
			Hinojosa	Oberstar	Toomey
			Hobson	Obey	Turner
			Holden	Olver	Udall (CO)
			Holt	Ortiz	Udall (NM)
			Honda	Osborne	Upton
			Hooley	Ose	Visclosky
			Horn	Otter	Vitter
			Hostettler	Owens	Walden
			Houghton	Oxley	Walsh
			Hoyer	Pallone	Wamp
			Hulshof	Pastor	Watkins (OK)
			Hunter	Payne	Watson (CA)
			Hyde	Pelosi	Watt (NC)
			Inslie	Peterson (MN)	Watts (OK)
			Isakson	Peterson (PA)	Waxman
			Issa	Petri	Weldon (FL)
			Istook	Phelps	Weldon (PA)
			Jackson (IL)	Pickering	Weller
			Jackson-Lee	Pitts	Wexler
			(TX)	Platts	Whitfield
			Jefferson	Pombo	Wicker
			Jenkins	Pomeroy	Wilson (SC)
			John	Portman	Wolf
			Johnson (CT)	Price (NC)	Woolsey
			Johnson (IL)	Pryce (OH)	Wu
			Johnson, E. B.	Putnam	Wynn
			Johnson, Sam	Quinn	Young (AK)
			Jones (OH)	Radanovich	Young (FL)