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H. RES. 222

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives about the Federal Bureau of Investigation Crisis Negotiation Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Hyde submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives about the Federal Bureau of Investigation Crisis Negotiation Program.

- Whereas the Crisis Negotiation Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has for the last twenty-five years worked to negotiate the release of hostages;
- Whereas the FBI agents who serve in the FBI's Crisis Negotiation Unit deserve the gratitude of our nation for their bravery, devotion and their ability to negotiate in the most dire situations the saving of lives of countless hostages and law enforcement personnel;
- Whereas the Crisis Negotiation Unit has also protected numerous potential innocent bystanders from harm in many high profile hostage crisis situations like the Lufthansa Skyjacking at John F. Kennedy Airport in 1993, to

many serious incidents that have received little or no publicity; and

Whereas the Crisis Negotiation Unit, a key element of the FBI's Critical Incident Response Group, in performing its mission of operation, training, research and program management has—

- (1) maintained a 24-hour-a-day operational response;
- (2) trained FBI negotiators and international law enforcement personnel through exchange programs; and
- (3) conducted research designed to expand the FBI's capability to assess, manage and successfully resolve many life-threatening crises: Now, therefore, be it
- 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives com-
- 2 mends the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Crisis Nego-
- 3 tiation Unit and, on behalf of all Americans, congratulates
- 4 the Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents who have,
- 5 through their dedicated service to our nation, guarded the
- 6 public safety in even the most challenging law enforcement
- 7 situations.

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