106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 247

Commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

January 26, 2000

Mr. Campbell (for himself, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Burns, Mr. Jeffords, Mr. Coverdell, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Cleland, Mr. Moynihan, Mr. DeWine, Mr. Gramm, Mr. Biden, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Sarbanes, Mr. Hagel, Mr. Warner, Mr. Gorton, Mr. Helms, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Grams, Mr. Ashcroft, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Bayh, Mr. Dorgan, Mr. Levin, Mrs. Hutchison, Ms. Collins, Mr. Nickles, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Voinovich, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Bingaman, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Lott, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Domenici, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. L. Chafee, Mr. Kerry, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Smith of Oregon, Mr. Robb, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Mack, Mr. Byrd, and Mr. Abraham) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

May 15, 2000

Committee discharged; considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers.

- Whereas the well-being of all citizens of this country is preserved and enhanced as a direct result of the vigilance and dedication of law enforcement personnel;
- Whereas more than 700,000 men and women, at great risk to their personal safety, presently serve their fellow citizens in their capacity as guardians of peace;
- Whereas peace officers are the front line in preserving our children's right to receive an education in a crime-free environment, which is all too often threatened by the insidious fear caused by violence in schools;
- Whereas 134 peace officers lost their lives in the performance of their duty in 1999, and a total of nearly 15,000 men and women have now made that supreme sacrifice;
- Whereas every year 1 in 9 officers is assaulted, 1 in 25 officers is injured, and 1 in 4,400 officers is killed in the line of duty; and
- Whereas, on May 15, 2000, more than 15,000 peace officers are expected to gather in our Nation's Capital to join with the families of their recently fallen comrades to honor them and all others before them: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
 - 2 (1) recognizes May 15, 2000, as Peace Officers
 - 3 Memorial Day, in honor of Federal, State, and local
 - 4 officers killed or disabled in the line of duty; and
 - 5 (2) calls upon the people of the United States
- 6 to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and
- 7 respect.