107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. RES. 537

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President of the United States should establish a nonpartisan Presidential Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 18, 2002

Mr. Shays (for himself and Mrs. McCarthy of New York) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

- Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President of the United States should establish a nonpartisan Presidential Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States.
- Whereas on September 11, 2001, the United States suffered the most devastating terrorist attacks in its history;
- Whereas the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, and the crash of United Airlines Flight 93, resulted in the senseless deaths of nearly 3,000 individuals;
- Whereas all Americans, but particularly the families of the many victims, need to better understand the causes relating to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and

Whereas a full investigation of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks is necessary to effectively prevent future terrorist attacks: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives urges
- 2 the President of the United States to establish a non-
- 3 partisan Presidential Commission on Terrorist Attacks
- 4 Upon the United States to—
- 5 (1) examine and report upon the facts and
- 6 causes relating to the terrorist attacks of September
- 7 11, 2001;
- 8 (2) ascertain, evaluate, and report on the evi-
- 9 dence developed by all relevant governmental agen-
- 10 cies regarding the facts and circumstances sur-
- 11 rounding the attacks;
- 12 (3) make a full and complete accounting of the
- circumstances surrounding the attacks, and the ex-
- tent of the United States' preparedness for, and re-
- sponse to, the attacks; and
- 16 (4) investigate and report to the President and
- the Congress on its findings, conclusions, and rec-
- ommendations for corrective measures that can be
- taken to prevent acts of terrorism.