

108TH CONGRESS  
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# **S. RES. 143**

Remembering and honoring the victims of the bus crash near Carrollton,  
Kentucky, fifteen years ago on May 14, 1988.

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## **IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

MAY 14, 2003

Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. DEWINE) submitted the following  
resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## **RESOLUTION**

Remembering and honoring the victims of the bus crash  
near Carrollton, Kentucky, fifteen years ago on May  
14, 1988.

Whereas a school bus full of children, teens and chaperones  
was traveling down Interstate 71 to Radcliff, Kentucky,  
following a church outing at a Cincinnati, Ohio amusement park;

Whereas a drunk driver, with blood alcohol concentration levels at .24 percent, much higher than the legal limit, was traveling northbound in the southbound lanes of Interstate 71 in his pickup truck;

Whereas the National Transportation Safety Board found the drunk driver slammed into the bus head on, causing a collision sequence which resulted in the bus bursting into flames;

Whereas, 24 children and three adults perished in this tragedy;

Whereas, thirty-four other people suffered injuries, some critical, in the crash and resulting fire;

Whereas, the pickup driver was found to be a repeat drunk-driving offender and substantially over the legal blood alcohol concentration limit to operate a vehicle;

Whereas the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has found that alcohol-related traffic deaths have increased for the third consecutive year in a row; and

Whereas the strength and determination of the survivors and of the relatives of the victims to this crash serve as an inspiration for all Americans: Now, therefore, be it

- 1        *Resolved*, That that on this day, May 14, 2003, the
- 2        United States Senate remembers and honors the victims
- 3        and their families on this 15th anniversary of the deadliest
- 4        drunk driving crash in United States history.

