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Congratulating Shirin Ebadi for winning the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize and commending her for her lifetime of work to promote democracy and human rights.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

## October 16, 2003

Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. HAGEL) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

NOVEMBER 6, 2003 Committe discharged; considered and agreed to

## RESOLUTION

- Congratulating Shirin Ebadi for winning the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize and commending her for her lifetime of work to promote democracy and human rights.
- Whereas Shirin Ebadi is the winner of the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize;
- Whereas Shirin Ebadi has fought to support basic human rights in Iran through her work as a lawyer, judge, lecturer, writer, and activist;
- Whereas Shirin Ebadi believes that conflict should be resolved peacefully through dialogue and mutual understanding;

- Whereas Shirin Ebadi supports democracy and democratic elections and has defended those who have been attacked for exercising their freedom of speech;
- Whereas Shirin Ebadi argues for an interpretation of Islamic law that is in harmony with democracy and vital human rights such as equality before the law, freedom of religion, and freedom of speech;
- Whereas Shirin Ebadi has been a leader in promoting the human rights of women and girls; and
- Whereas Shirin Ebadi has been arrested numerous times for her courageous defense of basic human rights and democratic ideals, sacrificing her own freedom for the freedom of others: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—
- 2 (1) congratulates Shirin Ebadi for winning the
- 3 2003 Nobel Peace Prize; and
- 4 (2) commends Shirin Ebadi for her lifetime of
  5 work to promote democracy and human rights.

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