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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and
Pensions

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of the Vigil for Lost Promise
day.

Whereas over 26,000 citizens die from the effects of drug
abuse each year;

Whereas the damage from drugs is not limited to drug abus-
ers; the collateral damage from drugs is enormous, and
drug abuse costs society over \$60 billion in social costs
and lost productivity;

Whereas drugs rob users, their families, and all Americans of dreams, promise, ambitions, talent, and lives;

Whereas drug abuse affects millions of families in the United States;

Whereas the stigma of drug abuse and the cloak of denial keep many individuals and families from dealing with the impact of drugs;

Whereas many friends and families are ashamed to acknowledge the death of their loved ones caused by drug abuse;

Whereas all Americans can benefit from illuminating the problem of drug abuse and its impact on families, communities, and society;

Whereas the futures of thousands of the Nation's youth have been cut short because of drug abuse; and

Whereas law enforcement, public health and research organizations, community coalitions, drug prevention outreach organizations, individual parents, siblings, friends, and concerned citizens are joining together on June 8, 2006, in a Vigil for Lost Promise, to call public attention to the tremendous promise which has been lost with the deaths of those affected by drugs: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That Congress supports the goals and ideals
 3 of the Vigil for Lost Promise day.

Passed the House of Representatives June 6, 2006.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.