109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. CON. RES. 102

Condemning the decision by the city of St. Denis, France, to name a street in honor of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the convicted murderer of Philadelphia Police Officer Danny Faulkner.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 15, 2006

Mr. Santorum submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Condemning the decision by the city of St. Denis, France, to name a street in honor of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the convicted murderer of Philadelphia Police Officer Danny Faulkner.

Whereas on the night of December 9, 1981, Police Officer Danny Faulkner was shot and killed in cold blood during a traffic stop in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;

Whereas in the process of arresting the driver of a car traveling the wrong way down a one-way street, the driver's brother appeared from across the street and proceeded to open fire on Officer Faulkner while his back was turned away;

Whereas the driver's brother was identified as Mumia Abu-Jamal;

- Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal shot Officer Faulkner 4 times in the back;
- Whereas, although seriously injured, Officer Faulkner returned fire, striking his attacker;
- Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal was undeterred and stood over Officer Faulkner and shot him in the face, mortally wounding him;
- Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal attempted to flee, but collapsed several feet from the slain Officer Faulkner, murder weapon in hand;
- Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal was charged and convicted of first degree murder by a jury of his peers;
- Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal has had numerous legal appeals, including appeals to the Pennsylvania State Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court, and his conviction has been upheld each time;
- Whereas, on April 29, 2006, the municipal government of St. Denis, a suburb of Paris, dedicated a street in the honor of Mumia Abu-Jamal; and
- Whereas the official recognition and celebration of a convicted murderer of a police officer of the United States is an affront to law enforcement officers across the Nation: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives
 - 2 concurring), That Congress—
 - 3 (1) condemns the murder of Philadelphia Police
 - 4 Officer Danny Faulkner;
- 5 (2) urges the municipal government of St.
- 6 Denis to take immediate action to change the name

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of Rue Mumia Abu-Jamal and, if such action is not 2 taken by the municipal government of St. Denis, urges the Government of France to take appropriate action against the city of St. Denis to change the name of Rue Mumia Abu-Jamal; and

> (3) commends all police officers in the United States and throughout the world for their commitment to public service and public safety.

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