

agency. I think they are so miscoordinated, they do not work together. We do not even have a program, speaking as a sheriff. It is a joke.

As far as the Border Patrol is concerned, I believe they have been compromised. I am just going to tell it the way it is. I do not know that, but, by God, I do not trust it.

Mr. Speaker, I would say to the gentleman from Texas, I have followed many of his military leads and I want to make this statement. If my amendment were to come in here and mandated these troops and mandated this collision, I could understand the resistance. But I present an idea that can only be enacted if there is an opportunity to mold a reasonable defense security program. This is not military presence in America. This is military security at our border. That is a hell of a difference.

Mr. Speaker, just let me say this. I heard the talk about killing it in conference. My colleagues are not going to kill this amendment in conference. What they are going to kill is more children, more dying of overdose, more young people selling and running cocaine and heroin, more politicians on the border bringing in narcotics, more truckloads going to Chicago and New York. Truckloads. Truckloads.

The Traficant amendment allows that if this happens, they would assist with Customs to take a look at these trucks on the border, to go out in joint forces and maybe transport Border Patrol to key areas. And if my colleagues want to hire 25,000 Border Patrol, they do not have the money to do that. They are not going to do that. Know what? The border does not want it. They do not even want the Border Patrol. That is what the people from Redford, Texas, told me, Sheriff. They want open borders.

Mr. Speaker, let me close out with this. I would not have called for a vote and I would have not called for a motion to instruct conferees. There are big powerful people around here and they are going to lead the charge and knock out an idea, I guess, and they probably will. But, Mr. Chairman, I say to the majority party that they were elected together and they got tired of this. And I am a Democrat and that is why my Republican colleagues are in the majority, because some of the things that have been done over here that have been very foolish.

If the majority party does not allow for a reasonable national security program on narcotics and illegal immigration, then the American people made a mistake in giving them that charge.

Mr. Speaker, I say to the gentleman from South Carolina [Mr. SPENCE], "Keep it in, Mr. Chairman." I want the gentleman to fight like a junkyard dog in the face of a hurricane in that conference for this amendment. And I made it so that it will not embarrass the gentleman and it will not hurt the gentleman. It does not clamp and ratchet them down.

For the young man from Texas, it was very unfortunate. And God almighty, maybe with proper training with the Traficant amendment, that would never happen. Did my colleagues ever think of that? That military troop was already down there. I didn't see you, my colleagues, bringing a point of order against it. He was put down there by George Bush. And they did not ask to be authorized. They placed them there.

Mr. Speaker, this sheriff is saying we have got a Border Patrol that does nothing, we have an INS that lets in 180,000 illegal criminals, we have a military getting a paycheck and cashing their checks and going to the theater in Tokyo and Frankfurt, and we have narcotics coming across the border in backpacks, truckloads of cocaine and heroin coming into this country, and kids strung out all over America, and Congress better start speaking up for those American kids.

Mr. Speaker, with that I ask that tomorrow we have an affirmative vote and this Congress and this majority party stand for the charges that are needed to protect our borders.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to instruct.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to instruct offered by the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. TRAFICANT].

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. REYES. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the previous order of the House and clause 5(b)(1)(c) of rule I, further proceedings on this motion are postponed until tomorrow.

EXPRESSING THE CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE ON THE DEATH OF DIANA, PRINCESS OF WALES

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on International Relations be discharged from further consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 219) expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the tragic death of Diana, Princess of Wales, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 219

Whereas the House of Representatives has heard with great sadness of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, in a tragic automobile accident;

Whereas Diana, Princess of Wales, touched the hearts of the British and American people with her unflinching humanitarian and charitable efforts, her grace, and her good humor;

Whereas Diana, Princess of Wales, was a leader in such causes as the struggles against HIV/AIDS, breast cancer, and homelessness, and in efforts on behalf of the innocent victims of antipersonnel land mines;

Whereas many of the more than 100 humanitarian and charitable causes championed by Diana, Princess of Wales, operated within the United States and involved matters important to the American people; and

Whereas the outpouring of sympathy by the American people has underscored the ties between the British and American peoples, who are at this moment united with people around the world in their sadness at the passing of Diana, Princess of Wales: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives expresses its deep and heartfelt condolences to the British people and government and to the family, especially the children, of Diana, Princess of Wales, on their tragic loss.

SEC. 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the Ambassador of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United States for transmittal to the British government and to the family of Diana, Princess of Wales.

Mr. GILMAN (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read and printed in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the initial request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN] is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from California [Mr. CAPPS], pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mr. GILMAN asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the subject of this resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, this has been a very sad week for the people of the British Isles, for the American people, and for all people around the world. Diana, Princess of Wales, a model of grace, humor and charity, was tragically taken from us so terribly prematurely.

As this resolution notes, Diana, Princess of Wales, was involved in a multitude of good works, both in Britain and throughout the world, and many of her works on behalf of worthy humanitarian causes were undertaken right here in the United States. Whether the cause was the struggle against HIV/AIDS, breast cancer, or homelessness,

or the effort to protect innocent people from antipersonnel land mines, Princess Diana made her presence known in an inimitable way.

This beautiful young lady burst on the world scene in a storybook marriage which regrettably dissolved in unhappiness. Yet, despite this sad event, the Princess continued her humanitarian work while devoting herself to the upbringing of her two sons, upon whom so much responsibility will one day be thrust.

The outpouring of emotion by the American people that we have witnessed is due to an identification with a woman who personified a fairy-tale princess whose life represented infinite possibilities. We are greatly diminished by this loss, and it is only fitting that Members of this body join together with the American people in expressing our condolences.

I want to thank the Speaker of the House and the leadership on both sides of the aisle for agreeing to allow this timely consideration of this resolution. I thank in particular the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. HAMILTON], ranking Democratic member of the committee, for his cooperation in agreeing to the consideration of this resolution, for cosponsoring it, and for agreement for the minority to manage it on his side of the aisle.

The most important motivating force for this resolution, however, is its sponsor, the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. FOX], a key member of our Committee on International Relations.

Mr. Speaker, I yield the balance of my time to the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. FOX], and ask unanimous consent that he be permitted to yield time to other Members of this body.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN] for his leadership on not only this issue, but all the important issues in international affairs that come before this House and this Congress.

Mr. Speaker, I agree with the gentleman from New York. This week the world anguishes over the death of a lady who was very special. A humanitarian, a mother, and a Princess.

Mr. Speaker, here in our resolution, The Princess Diana Humanitarian Leadership Resolution, we salute Diana, Princess of Wales, who lost her life last week in a horrible traffic crash on the streets of Paris, which also took the lives of her companion and their driver, while critically injuring her bodyguard.

Princess Diana brought a sense of style and elegance to the Royal Family and we share their grief in this difficult time. More than that, however, she was perhaps the best ambassador of good-

will for Great Britain, the Windsors, the people of the United Kingdom, and all the people across the world.

During her frequent visits to the United States, Princess Diana built a relationship of mutual respect with the American people. She loved the United States and our people. She visited our Nation's capital and has said she would have loved to have moved here, if not for her devotion to her sons, Prince William and Prince Harry.

We all remember the shy young girl who, in 1981, married Prince Charles, the Prince of Wales, an heir to the throne of the United Kingdom, of Great Britain and Ireland. But what impressed many of us was the way she grew into an international symbol of courage and compassion. For Princess Diana, reaching out to others became for her a sacred trust and a connection to the people of the world.

Princess Diana was best known for her leadership on behalf of people with AIDS and HIV; for patients with leprosy; senior citizens; the homeless; and her special campaign to prevent, detect, and treat breast cancer. She was the world leader in the effort to ban the manufacture and use of anti-personnel land mines, and she visited the children in Angola and Bosnia who had lost their limbs and she gave her special presence and her special comfort.

Mr. Speaker, what shines through most for many of us is her love for children, beginning with her own children and continuing through every child she touched. Even a child in pain suffering through the anguish of leprosy or AIDS, or the torment and oppression of poverty and prejudice, could find comfort in her special touch.

When those children moved her and we saw her wipe a tear from her face, often we had to do the same. Because of her, these were not faceless victims from some faraway land; they were her fellow human beings and their pain became our pain. She prompted us to action because of her humanity and her humility.

Mr. Speaker, I believe it is fitting that the government born of that revolution which represents the people of the United States honors Diana, Princess of Wales, upon the sad occasion of her tragic and premature death. We will all miss her. The children will miss her especially. And along with the entire Royal Family, especially the children and their father, the people of the United Kingdom and the world community, we here in Congress grieve the loss. Our world has been diminished by her physical loss, but we thank God that we all have come to know her and the world is richer for her spiritual and personal contribution to us all.

Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great shock and sadness that the American people learned of the violent death of Princess Diana. I would like to commend the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr.

FOX], and the gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN], chairman of the Committee on International Relations, for offering this resolution.

Early last Sunday morning a country lost its beloved Princess, two sons lost their devoted mother, and the world lost a human being of consummate compassion, beauty, and dignity.

The Talmud teaches us we do not see the world as it is; we see the world as we are. Would that we saw the world the way Princess Diana did, for she was uniquely able to see the pain and the promise of what it is to be a human being.

In an interview, the Princess once stated, "I am not a political animal, but I think the biggest disease this world suffers from in this day and age is the disease of feeling unloved, and I know that I can give love." And, Mr. Speaker, she did.

She was a leader in humanitarian and charitable efforts on behalf of society's neediest and most vulnerable. She was personally involved in the struggle against AIDS, the struggle against breast cancer, and the struggle against homelessness. She was, for example, one of the first celebrities to publicly hold babies infected with AIDS and to meet with adults in advanced stages of that disease.

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She was also the champion of another cause that is close to my heart, the banning of anti-personnel land mines. Her royal, regal stature brought major international attention to these lethal devices which kill or maim approximately 26,000 people a year.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair has deemed her "the People's Princess." Her deep sympathy for those in distress made her the ideal champion of the land mine issue, where she demonstrated an ability to put the victims of their horror, not simply politics or military strategy, at the center of the debate.

Who can forget the images of Diana on her knees as she personally confronted and comforted mutilated victims? Her recent visits to Angola and Bosnia drew more attention to this issue in a few days than international meetings had in years.

To make any sense of Princess Diana's death seems impossible. Our only choice is to endow her passing with everlasting significance by carrying out the legacy of her work toward banning land mines, toward finding cures for disease and for ending homelessness. All of the energy and attention that she raised about these issues must be sustained and nurtured. To do anything less would dishonor her memory.

The poet Thomas Campbell wrote, "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die." Princess Diana will live forever in the hearts of people all around the world. Heavy as our hearts may be tonight, we are ennobled by her presence, we are diminished by her passing.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the adoption of this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. KINGSTON].

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Pennsylvania for yielding time to me.

Princess Diana lived a glamorous and, at times, a surreal life. While some truly envied her and surely at times she envied us, those of us who can go out in public without recognition, those of us who can eat in a restaurant without interruption, those of us who can go on a family outing without intrusion, and those of us who can go to a movie without becoming the main feature. Yet somehow, through the romance, the fantasy and the protocol, she connected with everyday people.

She was a mother who loved her children and tried to raise them correctly, despite the distractions. She was a humanitarian helping those unable to help themselves. She was an institution showing us the best of the state with a soft, human face.

Through the sad and melancholy pages of her biography, in the final analysis, her life is but a tragedy wrapped in a fairy tale. Perhaps we can learn by it.

Many people have been moved by her life and the loss of her life. As the world's goodwill ambassador, she had fans all across the globe. But as a member of the International Relations Committee, I know that needs have no national boundary, no intervening contracts and no treaties. And perhaps we, as a globe, would be better served not by dividing ourselves by what we have, but by uniting ourselves by what we lack and what we can accomplish together in pursuit of a better world.

I believe that the folks who mourn the most for the tragic death of Princess Diana are not doing it, Mr. Speaker, because they wish that maybe this Barbie-doll-type life did not get snuffed out, but maybe they are truly searching for some magic out there that can say and reach out to every one of us and say, maybe there is something better that we can do and maybe a little bit of kindness goes a long way.

I think that perhaps that is what she stood for among everybody, as the previous speaker said, a little bit more love.

Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Connecticut [Mrs. KENNELLY].

Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I join with my colleagues, my countrymen and my countrywomen and millions of people around the world in expressing my deep sadness at the loss of Diana, Princess of Wales.

Few women have been as gifted with such beauty, elegance, dignity, few women have achieved such heights of fame. Diana was able to do something

that few people who have those situations in their lives have; she was able to show us something that was very simple, a warm and human heart in a regal presence.

Diana's obvious joy and love of her own children was so evident in the many pictures that were taken of her with them. We saw them grow from little boys to handsome young men, and we saw how much she loved them. She was able to take this love and translate it into compassion for children all around the world.

It was no doubt that Diana had some personal sadness, that she had some personal suffering that so many have. But she took this suffering and she did something with it. What she did was respond to issues that she cared about, issues like AIDS, like people losing their limbs, things where people suffered in such a simple and direct and immediate way. She wanted to offer a few things to others. She wanted to offer comfort and love.

So Diana transcended her wealth and her position to take sides with those to whom the world has offered the least, and the world returned her love. It is fitting today that this House honor her, that we take some time at the end of our busy day, as all across the world have, to think about Diana.

We wrestle with such problems, we think they are so important. We think about the politics. We think about the economic results of what we are dealing with. I think what Diana has made us do is to think about these issues in a human way.

Tonight we come here because our hearts and our prayers are with her memory, with her family, with her mother, with her sisters, with her brother, but most particularly tonight I think we are thinking about her two sons. I think we only can hope tonight that some day that they will understand that the love that they had so deep for their mother was returned by the world.

Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Texas [Ms. JACKSON-LEE].

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman very much for yielding time to me. I thank the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. FOX] and the gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN]. I am very pleased to be able to join my colleagues this evening.

It is interesting, as the late hours of Saturday evening into Sunday morning unveiled and for many of us who were preparing to call it an evening, as the news items began to unfold, first one responded in complete and total disbelief. Then there were probably prayers offered that it certainly could not be true. But as the morning hours proceeded, there was the striking and terrible news that someone who we had watched from afar had suddenly had the beautiful light extinguished.

I thought, as I rose to my feet, what one would say? I am not a British citi-

zen. I am not a child of the queen or the king. And certainly, as an American, we waged a very vigorous war to ensure that that did not happen. So many would wonder why we would have this moment to pay tribute.

I began to reflect on many of the comments of individuals of which I heard as they spoke, individuals who had no title, maybe no prestige, maybe not even enough money to find their way to this ceremony and funeral this coming Saturday. But I heard them say this was the people's princess. In particular, as an African-American, I watched the flow of crowds, Japan, Houston, TX, London, England and other parts around the world. I watched as President Mandela of South Africa took to the microphone to talk about his friendship with Princess Diana, and it began to sink in that what she symbolized was someone who was above and was not a respecter of race or color or creed or ethnicity or difference. What she seemed to symbolize to those new immigrants in England, as more and more of them poured out of their homes and hamlets to come and acknowledge this princess of whom they probably had not met, is that she was someone like them. And I think it is important, as we pay tribute to her tonight, that we ourselves should reflect upon what this whole thing of government is all about, that aside from being President or First Lady or Congressperson or governor or mayor or city councilperson or chairman of Apple or chairman of IBM or corporate barons around the world, that we should simply be people. And Diana was someone who gave to us the privilege of being people, whether we suffered from HIV, whether or not we were exploded upon by land mines, we were simply people.

Mr. Speaker, as I close, let me simply say to you that this tribute is to pay homage to someone who did understand that title and prestige is not the call of the day but it is that she respected people and we loved her for it.

I rise today to pay my respects to Princess Diana, a woman the world will greatly miss. As a woman and a mother, I have been moved by her caring and her commitment to her sons and to those less fortunate than herself. This woman was not a Queen of Men, but she was certainly a Queen of Hearts.

She was the Mother of a King and a Prince and a modern woman who owed her fame and fortune to the old traditional monarchy. By the time of death she had reformed the image of the role of women in the British monarchy. She was stylish, cosmopolitan, and she comported herself with elegance and grace.

Throughout the unremitting scrutiny of Princess Diana's life one thing has shone clearly—her love for her two children. It seems clear that she was devoted to her boys, as they were to her. She gave them her affection, loving attention, and her maternal love and support. My heart aches for those two young men today. I wish them strength and peace.

Princess Diana was clearly a person of great caring and compassion. She chose to use the tremendous prestige afforded her by

her station in life to touch the everyday world around her—not the world of wealth and power, but the world of poverty, war, and injustice. She was an advocate for the victims of violence and of poverty.

Her commitment to the hungry, the sick, and the poor in England and around the world should serve as a model to us all. She has lent not just her name, but the strength and warmth of her spirit to a number of causes. She has reached out to extend comfort and an empathetic hand to people whom she felt had been "rejected by society" including AIDS and leprosy patients, battered women, and drug addicts. She shook hands with AIDS patients when many people were still afraid to touch them. She penned personal notes to families of hospitalized children she had met. She learned sign language to address an association of deaf persons. She hugged the dying in hospices and exchanged stories with women, like herself, who suffered from eating disorders.

Most recently, Princess Diana turned her attentions to the land mines which have claimed the lives and limbs of so many. In particular, she waged a campaign against land mines in Bosnia and last month was in Sarajevo, mourning the victims of war in private talks with families of people maimed or killed by exploding mines. Her leadership on this issue has helped in moving it to the forefront of England's agenda and in moving even this Nation to a point of compromise.

There is a lot that I could say, but a day or a week, not even a month would allow me enough time to express all that Princess Diana was to her children, to her family, to the victims of landmines, to victims of breast cancer and those suffering from AIDS.

Princess Diana was a very special woman and the world deeply mourns her loss. She was a princess in more than just name, but in her grace and character. She should be long remembered by people the world over. She will be remembered with deep respect and affection. She truly was the People's Princess.

Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Indiana [Ms. CARSON].

Ms. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding time to me, and I thank the gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN] and the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. FOX].

I am happy and saddened to join in grieving the tragic and untimely accidental death of Princess Diana, the Princess of the world, the Queen of Hearts, an appropriate characterization of a beautiful human being.

Princess Diana, by virtue of her status, had power. She chose to use her power to empower human lives around. She knew that power was a gift to be used on behalf of humankind. She never elevated herself above the powerless. Rather, she shook the hands of the AIDS victims and embraced those who were both hopeless and helpless. What a positive role model for the Congress, the power of Congress and how our power must be used instrumentally to uplift the lives of other human beings.

As we mourn the loss and celebrate her life, we are reminded of her work in eliminating land mines everywhere. An Angolan, Guerra Freitas, who now

works for CARE made the following points: that Angola, for example, has a population of 10 million and that there are an estimated 10 to 20 million land mines in Angola, two for each person. There are approximately 70,000 amputees, the largest number of any country in the world.

Another gentleman of Greenfield Consultants, a humanitarian deminer, made the following points: that every province in Angola has been mined; the number one donor nations for demining are the UK, the USA, Canada and the European Union. The United States currently supports land mine removal programs around the world through the DOD Department of Humanitarian Affairs, the State Department, as well as the U.N. and other nongovernmental organizations.

For every mine the international community clears, 20 new mines are deployed. While millions of dollars are spent each year on assistance to anti-personnel mine victims, there are some 70 new victims every day.

In June, Princess Diana joined the American Red Cross, Elizabeth Dole, in a new bid to raise the alarm about the threat of land mines and to raise money to help the victims of "these dreadful weapons," she said.

Mr. Speaker, what better way can we celebrate Princess Diana than to ensure the universal ban on land mines. Starting, of course, with America, the beautiful, the poor, and certainly for Diana, even though she did not know at that time, O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life.

America, America, God shed his grace on thee and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

I beseech my distinguished colleagues to offer a lasting commemoration to a wonderful Queen of Hearts, Princess Diana, and certainly I join in the countless prayers that pore out around the world in support of the biological family of Princess Diana and especially her sons, Prince William and Prince Harry, in the premature loss of their mother.

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Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I first want to thank the gentleman from California [Mr. CAPPS] for his leadership on this issue and for all those on his side of the aisle who contributed in this bipartisan salute to the queen of hearts, as the gentlewoman from Indiana [Ms. CARSON] just said. The gentleman from California is to be commended for his leadership on this and other issues dealing with the United States and international affairs.

I look to others who have made a contribution this week in trying to salute a very special person. Claude Lewis from Philadelphia from the

Philadelphia Inquirer, someone who is admired greatly, said in one of his articles something worth repeating. He said the death this past weekend of Princess Diana in Paris has rocked the world in a way that almost no other celebrity's death has.

Four days after her life ended from injuries sustained in a spectacular car crash along the Seine, she is mourned not for her perfection, Mr. Speaker, but for her courage and tenacity in trying to achieve it. It was she who captured the imagination of people everywhere. She shared her velvet strength, her quiet dignity, and her grace wherever she traveled. Here in the States, rich and poor, young and old, sick and healthy, she transcended national color and ethnic lines in everything she did.

The gentlewoman from Connecticut [Ms. DELAURO], who had hoped to be here with us tonight in her remarks that are being submitted, she speaks of the fact that there will never be another public figure like Diana. Her greatest triumph was being a mom and her spirit will live on in her sons, Princes William and Harry. Diana brought her sons along with her outside the palace walls to experience life in the real world. She brought them to meet homeless people and AIDS patients. I am sure the princes will grow up to exemplify the values of which Diana led her life, and in the end that may be Diana's most enduring legacy.

The gentleman from New York [Mr. QUINN] who makes a special salute to her when it comes to the bipartisan project that she has led, and that is to eliminate the antipersonnel landmines which have devastated children and innocent victims around the world. It is next week that the Evans-Quinn legislation will go forward that will put a ban on such landmines. It is through her leadership, Princess Diana, that this successful effort has every reason to hopefully be a reality in this 105th Congress.

I also wish to remind my colleagues that tomorrow the gentlewoman from Connecticut [Ms. DELAURO] has invited, along with the gentleman from Connecticut [Mr. FRANKS] and myself and others, all those who would join us here tonight in this special salute to a bipartisan delegation to the British Embassy tomorrow following our last votes to express our condolences on the loss of Princess Diana. The Embassy will have a special book for Members of Congress to sign, and I hope they will please join us because Princess Diana is someone who will never be replaced.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank those who have been participating in this, especially the gentleman from California [Mr. CAPPS] and the gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN], for their efforts and for this bipartisan effort to certainly make sure that the queen of hearts, Princess Diana, will be someone who we will try to emulate, who will continue to be a role model in her spirit, for all of the outreaching she has done in going places that others have

not gone and in making a sustained effort to make sure the world is better and leaving no one out and leaving no one behind.

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of this resolution expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the tragic death of Diana, Princess of Wales.

The Princess was someone with whom we all were not only familiar, but held in deep admiration. Her position of royalty brought her into our lives, but her work on behalf of the less fortunate brought her into our hearts.

Princess Diana has been an inspiration to me in one area in particular: her crusade on behalf of the innocent victims of antipersonnel landmines. Her efforts to eliminate landmines brought the issue global prominence.

This year the United States has the opportunity to join over 100 nations around the globe in signing an international treaty to ban landmines. That treaty is being negotiated in Oslo, Norway as we speak.

Next week, Congressman EVANS and I will introduce legislation that commits the United States to a ban on landmines. Our bipartisan legislation already has the backing of the Catholic Church's Conference of Bishops, the Vietnam Veterans Foundation, and numerous retired generals, including Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf.

Mr. Speaker, there is no stronger proponent of the U.S. military and its personnel in the U.S. House of Representatives than myself. The United States has the most sophisticated military in the world. Princess Diana was right, we do not need these weapons.

I urge my colleagues in the House of Representatives and in the Senate to pick up where Princess Diana left off and join the effort to ban landmines now by supporting the Evans/Quinn bill when it is introduced next week. Let's give a fitting remembrance to Diana by completing the work in which she believed so passionately.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker and my colleagues, it is with heavy heart that I rise this evening to pay tribute to a woman who touched the lives of people throughout the world—Diana, Princess of Wales. Her tragic death last weekend left all of us in shock at the sudden and incomprehensible loss of a woman in the prime of her life.

Although she lived the life of a fairy tale princess, she somehow seemed as real as our next-door neighbor. Rich and poor, black and white, young and old, sick and healthy, Diana opened her heart to one and all and in doing so, made herself a part of all of our lives.

She persevered through difficulties endured by so many women—including divorce and single motherhood—and did it all under the ever-critical eye of the press.

It would have been so easy for her to live a quite life behind the palace walls and out of the public's eye. But Diana was determined to make life better for those not so lucky. She wanted to make a difference in people's lives—and she did. The tremendous outpouring of grief, both in Britain and here in the United States, shows how successful she was in her work.

Diana dedicated herself to helping those who might otherwise have been forgotten. On one of her visits to Washington, she visited Grandma's House, a home for children stricken with AIDS—long before most public figures ever had. She scooped one 3-year-old into her

arms for a hug, and happily filled the child's wish by giving her a ride around the block in her Rolls-Royce.

Most recently, Diana had given herself wholeheartedly to a cause that many of us here also feel deeply about—the campaign to rid the world of anti-personnel landmines. Because of Diana, millions of people learned that anti-personnel landmines claim over 25,000 innocent victims every year. Now I hope we will carry on her work by committing to rid the world of these deadly weapons that threaten the lives of men, women and children all over the world.

There will never be another public figure like Diana. But Diana's greatest triumph was being a mom. And her spirit will live on in her sons, the Princes William and Harry. Diana brought her sons along with her, outside of the palace walls, to experience life in the real world. She brought them to meet homeless people and AIDS patients. I am sure that the Princes will grow up to exemplify the values by which Diana led her life, and in the end that may be Diana's most enduring legacy.

Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support this resolution and to express my deep sorrow over the tragic death of Diana, Princess of Wales, a special humanitarian who improved the lives of people throughout the world. Her devotion to others less fortunate, and her willingness to embrace them, hold them, and comfort them, should forever serve as a reminder to all public servants of their responsibility to care for those who are unable to help themselves.

The outpouring of grief from all corners of the globe during vigils such as those held in my district reaffirm that she is the people's princess. Through her energy and dedication she inspired worldwide efforts to solve problems such as AIDS, homelessness, leprosy, and the indiscriminate devastation caused by land mines. She had a genuine understanding of the struggles which the people have with daily life, and did not hesitate to demonstrate her empathy for those suffering by discussing her own personal battles.

Princess Diana did not use her position for personal gain; she used her celebrity to bring attention to the plight of those whom the world might otherwise ignore. The ability to bring attention to the charities and causes she supported and her devotion to them was one of the reasons that she continued to operate even under the challenging conditions that apparently contributed to her death. We must take this opportunity to reflect on her gracious and giving spirit and hope that we can somehow learn from this tragedy and carry on her efforts to bring attention to the plight of the poor and bring relief to those in need of assistance. Her overriding concern for the condition of others and her dedication to the causes she committed herself to are the greatest examples of what public service should be, giving back to one's community, and thus leaving the world a better place.

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to add my voice to those supporting this condolence resolution. I held a special order in May to raise awareness on the dangers of driving while intoxicated. I told my colleagues that "drunk driving knows no social or economic boundaries."

Never could I have imagined how prophetic that statement would be.

It will probably be impossible to pinpoint why Princess Diana died, however, one point

can be raised without dispute. We have all borne witness that drunk driving kills—and it played a significant role in the death of Princess Diana.

Last Saturday's tragedy proved once again that the rise in drunk driving fatalities is about more than statistics. It's about people. It's about broken families. It's about destroyed lives and lost love. It's about two young princes, one a future king, who are now without a mother.

That's why people like Tom Carey and the members of Remove Intoxicated Drivers [RID] play such an important role in combating what can truly be called a scourge on our society. RID will be holding a vigil for Princess Diana on Friday in my congressional district.

I commend their work and hope that if anything good can come from this terrible tragedy—if any lesson can be learned—it is that we must all think twice before taking a drink and then getting behind the wheel. We owe it to Princess Diana, and all those who have been killed or maimed by drunk drivers, to heed this simple yet powerful lesson.

I support this resolution and want to personally express my deepest sympathies to Princess Diana's family, the British people and their government.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DICKEY). Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the resolution.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNUAL REPORT OF FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY, FISCAL YEAR 1996—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 701 of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-454; 5 U.S.C. 7104(e)), I am pleased to transmit the Eighteenth Annual Report of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for Fiscal Year 1996.

The report includes information on the cases heard and decisions rendered by the Federal Labor Relations Authority, the General Counsel of the Authority, and the Federal Service Impasses Panel.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.
THE WHITE HOUSE, September 4, 1997.

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF U.S. GOVERNMENT IN UNITED NATIONS AND AFFILIATED AGENCIES DURING 1996—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message