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(4) calls upon local and Federal law enforcement authorities to prosecute to the fullest extent of the law all those who commit crimes.

SA 1908. Mr. REID (for Mr. DURBIN) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 74, condemning bigotry and violence against Sikh-Americans in the wake of terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. on September 11, 2001; as follows:

Strike the preamble and insert the following:

"Whereas all Americans are united in condemning, in the strongest possible terms, the terrorists who planned and carried out the attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001, and in pursuing all those responsible for those attacks and their sponsors until they are brought to justice;

"Whereas Sikh-Americans form a vibrant, peaceful, and law-abiding part of America's people;

"Whereas approximately 500,000 Sikhs reside in the United States and are a vital part of the Nation;

"Whereas Sikh-Americans stand resolutely in support of the commitment of our Government to bring the terrorists and those that harbor them to justice;

"Whereas the Sikh faith is a distinct religion with a distinct religious and ethnic identity that has its own places of worship and a distinct holy text and religious tenets;

"Whereas many Sikh-Americans, who are easily recognizable by their turbans and beards, which are required articles of their faith, have suffered both verbal and physical assaults as a result of misguided anger toward Arab-Americans and Muslim-Americans in the wake of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack;

"Whereas Sikh-Americans, as do all Americans, condemn acts of hate and prejudice against any American; and

"Whereas Congress is seriously concerned by the number of crimes against Sikh-Americans and other Americans all across the Nation that have been reported in the wake of the tragic events that unfolded on September 11, 2001: Now, therefore, be it".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to conduct a markup meeting beginning at 11:05 a.m., in the President's Room, S-216, the Capitol.

I. Unfinished Business

S. 1319/H.R. 2215, the Department of Justice fiscal year 2002 authorization bill [Leahy/Hatch]; S. 754, the Drug Competition Act of 2001 [Leahy / Kohl / Schumer / Durbin / Feingold / Cantwell]; and S. 1140, the Motor Vehicle Franchise Contract Arbitration Fairness Act of 2001 [Hatch/Feingold/Grassley/Leahy].

II. Nominations

Karen K. Caldwell to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Laurie Smith Camp to be United States District

Judge for the District of Nebraska; Claire V. Eagan to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma; James H. Payne to be United States District Judge for the Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Oklahoma; and Jay S. Bybee to be Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel.

To Be United States Attorney: Daniel G. Bogden for the District of Nevada; Margaret M. Chiara for the Western District of Michigan; Robert C. Conrad for the Western District of North Carolina; Thomas M. DiBiagio for the District of Maryland; Patrick J. Fitzgerald for the Northern District of Illinois; Thomas C. Gean for the Western District of Arkansas; James Ming Greenlee for the Northern District of Mississippi; Raymond W. Greunder for the Eastern District of Missouri; Thomas E. Johnston for the Northern District of West Virginia; John McKay for the Western District of Washington; Anna Mills S. Wagoner for the Middle District of North Carolina; Karl K. Warner, II for the Southern District of West Virginia; and Donald W. Washington for the Western District of Louisiana.

III. Resolutions

S.J. Res. 12, a joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the International Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding. [Smith/Leahy/Jeffords/Chafee/Lieberman/Gregg] and an unnumbered resolution by Senator SPECTER.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to conduct a nominations hearing beginning at 2 p.m., in S-128, the Capitol.

Nominees: Charles W. Pickering, Sr. to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; M. Christina Armijo to the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico; Karon O. Bowdre to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama; Stephen P. Friot to the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma; and Larry R. Hicks to the United States District Court for the District of Nevada.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Nevada is recognized.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that a fellow in my office, Peter Winokur, be entitled to privileges of the floor today.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

CONDEMNING VIOLENCE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST IRANIAN-AMERICANS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to S. Res. 173, which is now at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 173) condemning violence and discrimination against Iranian-Americans in the wake of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 173) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Statements on Submitted Resolutions.")

CONDEMNING BIGOTRY AND VIOLENCE AGAINST SIKH-AMERICANS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 183, S. Con. Res. 74.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 74) condemning bigotry and violence against Sikh-Americans in the wake of terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, DC, on September 11, 2001.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the amendment to the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the concurrent resolution, as amended, be agreed to, the amendment to the preamble be agreed to, the preamble, as amended, be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the concurrent resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendments (Nos. 1907 and 1908) were agreed to, as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 1907

Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the following:

That Congress—

(1) declares that, in the quest to identify, locate, and bring to justice the perpetrators and sponsors of the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001, the civil rights and civil liberties of all Americans,

including Sikh-Americans, should be protected;

(2) condemns bigotry and any acts of violence or discrimination against any Americans, including Sikh-Americans;

(3) calls upon local and Federal law enforcement authorities to work to prevent crimes against all Americans, including Sikh-Americans; and

(4) calls upon local and Federal law enforcement authorities to prosecute to the fullest extent of the law all those who commit crimes.

AMENDMENT NO. 1908

(Purpose: To clarify Congress' concern over the number of crimes against Sikh-Americans and other Americans across the Nation since the tragic events of September 11, 2001)

Strike the preamble and insert the following:

"Whereas all Americans are united in condemning, in the strongest possible terms, the terrorists who planned and carried out the attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001, and in pursuing all those responsible for those attacks and their sponsors until they are brought to justice;

"Whereas Sikh-Americans form a vibrant, peaceful, and law-abiding part of America's people;

"Whereas approximately 500,000 Sikhs reside in the United States and are a vital part of the Nation;

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"Whereas Congress is seriously concerned by the number of crimes against Sikh-Americans and other Americans all across the Nation that have been reported in the wake of the tragic events that unfolded on September 11, 2001: Now, therefore, be it"

The concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 74), as amended, was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 1564

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I understand that S. 1564, introduced earlier today by Senator REID of Nevada, is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill for the first time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1564) to convey land to the University of Nevada at Las Vegas Research Foundation for a research park and technology center.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request on behalf of the minority.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will remain at the desk.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 23; that following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to the Foreign Operations Appropriations Act, with 30 minutes of debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking member, or their designees, prior to a 10 a.m. cloture vote on the motion to proceed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order following the remarks of the Senator from Missouri, Mr. BOND.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Missouri.

THE WORK OF THE SENATE MUST CONTINUE

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I thank the majority whip for his kindness in allowing me to express my appreciation and admiration for Senator DASCHLE and Senator LOTT keeping us in session today. Today's statement is very important: That the work of the Senate is going on and will continue.

Certainly, it was a very troubling thing to learn anthrax had been delivered to a Senate office building and 300 more people may have been exposed. We know the good news is exposure does not mean infection, and we also know from the public health professionals that this form of anthrax is easily treatable with all forms of antibiotics, from penicillin to the new Cipro. Really, this is not a threat to those people because our public health people moved very quickly. The medical teams were there, and we have taken the necessary steps.

What the terrorists want to do is not necessarily kill anybody with anthrax because they are not going to do it, but they want to spread fear. The terrorists win if they cripple us psychologically, if they destroy our economy, if they turn us against ourselves, or if they interfere with the workings of our Government and our economy.

We will not let them win if we do not give in to our fears. The medical experts tell us that anthrax is not con-

tagious; but panic is. The message to our people, our bosses, the good people of America, is that they have been strong and their Government is going to continue to function.

There will be more letters. Since we made the decision to stay in, there were letters that were delivered to Governor Pataki's security office, to the media. These will continue, and, unfortunately, there may be other evidence of bioterrorism or physical violence visited on us by terrorists, but we have strong leadership.

On a bipartisan basis, we support the President. Most of all, we support the brave fighting men and women of America whose lives are on the line to limit the terrorists, to run them back into their holes, to destroy their safe havens, to take away their financial resources, and to terminate them.

We will continue this fight, and the American people have responded marvelously. There has been a tremendous outpouring of charity, with billions of dollars that Americans have contributed to aid those who are victims. I urge we continue to support those organizations, from the Salvation Army to the Red Cross, and all of the other groups that are providing vitally needed services and who must continue to serve in our community.

Continuing to support our local United Way is as important as helping to combat the direct impact of the terrorist activities. We are going to win this fight. The terrorists are not going to destroy us. We have seen the example of the brave people of London who survived and flourished when London was under fierce bombing attacks in World War II. We have seen the people in Israel who live with terrorism every day, and they are not deterred. They will continue their lives, and we as Americans must continue our lives.

We are the bright and shining beacon for the world. We are the ones who inspire jealousy and inspire envy and inspire fear in others, but we have reached out the hand of friendship. The President has urged American children to contribute a dollar to help the children in Afghanistan, and that is the American way.

We will fight against those who seek to rain violence down upon us, who seek to spread fear and concern among our citizens. We will be strong, but we will be humanitarian and we will take care of those in need. We will show people there is a better way. We will show people freedom and democracy can flourish in the face of terrorist activities. That is the strength of America.

We are being tested today, and by having the Senate in session today we have shown that Government will go on.

I urge my colleagues to continue their steadfast resolve. To our staffs and others who are frightened, be not afraid. You are not on the front lines where our young men and women are in danger of bullets and anti-aircraft missiles every day. They are showing the bravery. With their resolute