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CRANE RESOLUTION TO HONOR AMERICANS KILLED BY TERRORISTS CLEARS HOUSE

*Amendment Also Calls On Palestinian Authority to Work with Israel to Protect All Citizens in
the Region*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – A resolution introduced by United States Representative Phil Crane (R-IL) condemning the attacks on U.S. citizens killed in Israel by Palestinian terrorists was approved yesterday as part of a foreign aid bill that cleared the House of Representatives by a vote of 382 to 42. The resolution condemns the attacks of 41 Americans killed since the 1993 Oslo Peace Accords where Palestinian leader Yassar Arafat renounced violence as part of the peace initiative. It also offers Congress' condolences to families of those individuals killed and calls on the Palestinian Authority to work with Israel to protect all innocent individuals regardless of citizenship from terrorist atrocities.

Crane introduced his resolution (H.Con.Res. 119) earlier this year and successfully attached it as an amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005 (H.R. 1950).

“The goal of this measure is to help make the American people more aware of the harm coming to our citizens overseas and to reaffirm our commitment to ensure that terrorism – both in America and Israel – will be defeated. I’m pleased that it was made a part of this important foreign relations legislation,” Crane said.

Crane’s amendment also calls on the U.S. Department of State to start accounting for the deaths of **all** U.S. citizens as the result of a terrorist act in its annual “Chronology of Significant Terrorist Incidents,” as reported in future “Patterns of Global Terrorism” reports.

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