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## **H.Con.Res. 464—Expressing the sense of the Congress on the anniversary of the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001 (Armev/Gephardt)**

**Order of Business:** The resolution is scheduled to be considered on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, by unanimous consent.

**Summary:** This resolution would assert that Congress:

- “recognizes September 11 as both a day to remember those taken from their families, loved ones, and fellow citizens and a day for Americans to recommit to the Nation, to their freedoms, and to each other;
- “extends its deepest sympathies to the countless innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, their families, friends, and loved ones;
- “honors the heroic actions of first responders, law enforcement personnel, State and local officials, volunteers, and others who aided the innocent victims and, in so doing, bravely risked their own lives and long-term health;
- “stands in great debt with the American people to the members of the Armed Forces serving both at home and abroad;
- “praises the people of the United States for their patriotism, compassion, prayers, and generosity in donating time and money to support the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, their families, friends, and loved ones;
- “expresses thanks and gratitude to the foreign leaders and citizens of all nations who have assisted and continue to stand in solidarity with the United States against terrorism in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks;
- “discourages, in the strongest possible terms, any effort to confuse the war on terrorism with a war on any people or any faith;
- “commends the President and the brave servicemen and women of the United States Armed Forces in the successful effort to oust the Taliban from power;
- “remains resolved to pursue all those responsible for the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and their sponsors until they are discovered and punished; and

- “reaffirms that Congress will honor the memory of those who lost their lives as a result of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and will defend bravely the citizens of the United States in the face of all future challenges.”

**Additional Background:** The resolution also points out that “Congress has passed, and the President has signed, numerous laws providing additional resources for the overseas effort against terrorism, as well as additional tools for Federal, State, and local law enforcement and judicial systems to protect Americans at home.” To read updated summaries of these legislative responses to last year’s terrorist attacks, please visit this website:

<http://www.house.gov/burton/RSC/AttackResponse.PDF>

**Cost to Taxpayers:** The resolution would authorize no expenditure.

**Does the Bill Create New Federal Programs or Rules?:** No.

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