

has been an extremely dangerous rescue mission. So we thank them, as well.

Times like this bring out the best in many people. Yesterday, we had the opportunity to talk to the Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina and he, too, is rising to the occasion under what are extraordinarily precarious conditions. We, as Americans, watch with great interest and empathy as he tries in as many ways as possible to achieve a meaningful effort at resisting the extraordinary dangers that his people face day after day.

So whether it is the Prime Minister, a pilot, or a rescue mission, there is a lot to celebrate today. This resolution gives us an opportunity to say with some clarity how much we appreciate the patriotism, the determination, the extraordinary willingness to subject oneself to danger, as we have seen just in the last 6 days.

So, again, I rise in support of the resolution. I am proud to be a cosponsor. I certainly urge its approval.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KEMPTHORNE). The majority leader.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senator DASCHLE's name appear immediately following mine on the leadership resolution.

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

Mr. PRESSLER. Mr. President, I also ask unanimous consent to be added as a cosponsor.

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

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, will the majority leader yield?

Mr. DOLE. I will be happy to yield.

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, it may be wise, since not all Senators knew that this resolution was coming, and I think most, if not all, would support it, that we have a timeframe in which all Senators would have an opportunity to become cosponsors.

Would that be agreeable? I do not know what time would be right or sufficient, but I do think it is important that others not feel left out. I am sure the Senator does not want that, either. With that, Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that I be added as a cosponsor.

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

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I also ask unanimous consent to add Senators MCCAIN and THURMOND and the Presiding Officer, Senator KEMPTHORNE, as cosponsors.

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

Mr. DOLE. I think we can take action on it and still give, say, to 5 o'clock for anybody else who wants to be added as a cosponsor. I ask unanimous consent that that be permissible.

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

The question is on agreeing to the resolution.

So the resolution (S. Res. 132) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. FORD. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I note we are in a period of morning business right now. We are trying to get some agreement on gift ban and lobbying reform. I am prepared, if we can get that agreement, to proceed to it. I need to be absent for 5 minutes from the Chamber.

Mr. DASCHLE addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic leader is recognized.

IN MEMORY OF GRANT KOPPELMAN

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I was recently presented with tragic news regarding the death of a unique and talented young man. Grant Koppelman, a native of Rapid City, SD, who worked in my office in 1986, was killed while traveling overseas. He was 30 years old.

My heartfelt condolences go out to his family. Few individuals are blessed with the combination of intelligence, compassion, and personality that Grant possessed. With his disarming smile and quick wit, Grant could dissolve tension into humor, negating interpersonal conflict with great ease.

At the same time, his ability to instantaneously analyze situations and articulate brilliant responses earned him instant respect from those who challenged him. Those skills served Grant well through his years in high school debate, his time spent working for me, his years at Harvard Law School, and his successful private practice.

His professional life, however, was only a small part of this remarkable man's persona. Grant's love of knowledge and adventure continuously led him abroad. Members of my staff often would remark to me that they had heard from Grant while he was in Europe, or that Grant had written them about the political situation in Burma. Most recently he had sent out postcards from the Maldives Islands off the coast of India, with his usual promise that he would stay in contact.

Grant had always made good on that commitment to stay connected to his friends. That fact, in part, helps explain the devastating shock we felt over his death. The few details we know tell us that Grant was hitchhiking in Ethiopia and that someone tossed a grenade into the car in which he and a friend were riding.

Although a senseless act of violence took Grant from us at such a young age, he filled his life as completely as he was able, always looking for his next opportunity to learn, to challenge himself and to grow. His spirit greatly enriched those he touched, and we will miss him.

I yield the floor.

Mr. PRESSLER. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask that I may use some additional leader time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader has that right.

MISPLACED SYMPATHIES

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, last year, I spoke out against National Public Radio's stunningly misguided proposal to hire convicted cop-killer Mumia Abu-Jamal to provide a series of "Death-Row Commentaries." Fortunately, NPR had the good sense to cancel its contract with Mr. Abu-Jamal, who was convicted 13 years ago of murdering Daniel Faulkner, a 25-year-old member of the Philadelphia police force. Mr. Abu-Jamal remains on death row to this very day.

Despite a 4-week trial and despite a case that Assistant District Attorney Arnold Gordon describes as "one of the strongest I have seen in 24 years as a prosecutor," there are still those who believe that Mr. Abu-Jamal is the victim of a political witchhunt. Some even go so far as to consider him a political prisoner. A bevy of left-leaning Hollywood celebrities have apparently rallied to Mr. Abu-Jamal's defense, raising money for a legal defense fund and helping to promote Mr. Abu-Jamal's new book, "Live From Death Row." According to news accounts, the Addison-Wesley Publishing Co. has paid an advance of nearly \$30,000 for Mr. Abu-Jamal's latest creative venture.

Of course, most Americans are right to wonder why a person convicted and sentenced to death for viciously murdering a police officer more than 13 years ago is still sitting on death row. This only serves to underscore the wide gap between crime and punishment in America. Americans are also fed up with the tiresome criminal-as-a-victim-of-society philosophy, apparently embraced by Mr. Abu-Jamal's most ardent supporters. As Richard Costello, the president of the Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police, recently explained:

This pseudo-political garb Jamal has tried to wrap himself in is just a sleazy attempt to save his own hide. . . . This is not a political case; this is the case of the cold-blooded killing of a police officer doing his job. . . . It is well past time for the jury's sentence to be fulfilled.

Keep in mind it has been 13 years. The victim has been long forgotten, and the victim's family, but this man is still around.

Just last Friday, Pennsylvania's Governor Tom Ridge took a big step to