

Carl Everett, Freddy Garcia, Geoff Blum, Willie Harris, Timo Perez, Chris Widger, Pablo Ozuna, Mark Buehrle, Jose Contreras, Neal Cotts, Jon Garland, Dustin Hermanson, Orlando Hernandez, Bobby Jenks, Damaso Marte, Cliff Politte, and Luis Vizcaino;

Whereas other players, such as Frank Thomas and Brandon McCarthy, made important contributions to get the White Sox to the playoffs, but were unable to be placed on the playoff roster;

Whereas this current group of White Sox players follows in the giant footsteps of the great players in White Sox history who have had their numbers retired, players such as Nellie Fox (#2), Harold Baines (#3), Luke Appling (#4), Minnie Minoso (#9), Luis Aparicio (#11), Ted Lyons (#16), Billy Pierce (#19), and Carlton Fisk (#72);

Whereas the city of Chicago and White Sox fans have faithfully stuck by their team during the decades it spent in baseball's wilderness;

Whereas a new generation of young fans in Chicago and around Illinois are discovering the joy of world championship baseball; and

Whereas the Boston Red Sox, the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, and the Houston Astros proved worthy and honorable adversaries and also deserve recognition, and: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, that the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Chicago White Sox on winning the 2005 World Series Championship;

(2) commends the fans, players, and management of the Houston Astros for allowing the Chicago White Sox and their many supporters to celebrate their first World Series title in 88 years at Minute Maid Park, the home field of the Houston Astros; and

(3) respectfully directs the Enrolling Clerk of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to—

(A) the 2005 Chicago White Sox baseball club;

(B) White Sox owners, Jerry Reinsdorf and Eddie Einhorn.

#### CONDEMNING ANTI-ISRAEL SENTIMENTS OF THE PRESIDENT OF IRAN

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 292 which was submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 292) calling on the President to condemn the anti-Israel sentiments expressed by the President of Iran on October 26, 2005.

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

Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, yesterday, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, citing the words of the founder of Iran's Islamic revolution, the late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, said "Israel must be wiped off the map."

He then went on to call Israel a "disgraceful blot."

He rejected the two-state solution to the Middle East crisis as a defeat for the Islamic world, adding that the "roadmap" would be short-lived. He said "If we put it behind us successfully, God willing, it will pave the way for the destruction and the downfall of the Zionist regime."

The Iranian President also criticized his neighbors by warning "Anybody who recognizes Israel will burn in the fire of the Islamic nations' fury."

He made these despicable comments to 4,000 students attending a "World without Zionism" conference.

This was just hours before a Palestinian suicide bomber from Islamic Jihad blew himself up in the small Israeli town of Hadera, killing 5 people and wounding more than 30.

It's important to note that Islamic Jihad's murderers are supported and trained by Iran.

Given the seriousness of President Ahmadinejad's hateful comments, I am submitting a resolution with Senator SMITH asking that this body repudiate them.

The resolution also calls on President Bush, on behalf of the United States, to condemn the remarks in the strongest terms possible.

This kind of incendiary rhetoric is what we have come to expect from Iran.

The Iranian President has been quite open about his views on Israel. He has been clear and consistent, echoing Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini, who called frequently for the destruction of Israel through the 1980s.

The words and ideas of the President of Iran are offensive to civilized people around the world. We will not tolerate anti-Israel or anti-Semitic rhetoric.

The Iranian President has spoken words that are certain to incite violence against the state of Israel. Too often, that translates into violence against Jews worldwide.

But what makes the comments especially chilling is the fact that Iranian officials announced earlier this year that they had completed development of solid fuel technology for missiles, a huge breakthrough that increases missile accuracy.

Iran has the Shahab-3 missile, which has a range of 810 miles to more than 1,200 miles. Jerusalem is 970 miles from Tehran.

The Shahab-3 is capable of delivering a nuclear warhead to Israel and to U.S. forces in the Middle East.

So when the Iranian President threatens to "wipe Israel off the map," we can't afford to take such a threat lightly. We have to take note of it and repudiate it.

I urge the Senate to adopt this resolution and go on record condemning the hateful words of the Iranian President. And I hope that President Bush himself will speak to this issue. It's that important.

I want to thank Senator SMITH for co-sponsoring this resolution with me. I urge its adoption.

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

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

The resolution (S. Res. 292) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 292

Whereas, on October 26, 2005, the President of Iran, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, said that Israel must be "wiped off the map" and that "[a]nybody who recognizes Israel will burn in the fire of the Islamic nations' fury";

Whereas the Department of State has designated Iran as a state sponsor of terrorism that has repeatedly provided support for acts of international terror;

Whereas the Government of Iran sponsors terrorist organizations such as Hezbollah, Hamas, Islamic Jihad, the al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, and PFLP-GC by providing funding, training, weapons, and safe haven to such organizations; and

Whereas the outrageous statements of Mr. Ahmadinejad are not in accord with the expressions of the Palestinian leadership in the peace process: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) thoroughly repudiates the anti-Israel sentiments expressed by the President of Iran, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, on October 26, 2005; and

(2) calls on the President, on behalf of the United States, to thoroughly repudiate, in the strongest terms possible, the statement by Mr. Ahmadinejad.

#### COAST GUARD AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2005

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 185, S. 1280, the Coast Guard authorization bill.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1280) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2006 and 2007 for the United States Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill which had been reported from the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, with amendments.

S. 1280

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2005".

#### SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title.

Sec. 2. Table of contents.

#### TITLE I—AUTHORIZATION

Sec. 101. Authorization of appropriations.

Sec. 102. Authorized levels of military strength and training.

Sec. 103. Web-based risk management data system.

#### TITLE II—HOMELAND SECURITY, MARINE SAFETY, FISHERIES, AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Sec. 201. Extension of Coast Guard vessel Anchorage and movement authority.

Sec. 202. Enhanced civil penalties for violations of the Maritime Transportation Security Act.