

10       **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WAR ON TERRORISM**

20       **WHEREAS:**    On September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001, terrorists flew planes into the World Trade Center  
30                    buildings in New York, and the Pentagon building in Virginia; and,

40       **WHEREAS:**    The World Trade Center buildings were completely destroyed as was a complete  
50                    side of the Pentagon building; and,

60       **WHEREAS:**    Approximately three thousand Americans lost their lives on September 11<sup>th</sup>,  
70                    2001 due to these attacks by Islamic terrorists; and,

80       **WHEREAS:**    Islamic terrorism is the serious threat the world faces in the twenty-first century;  
90                    and,

100       **WHEREAS:**    Islamic terrorism has become the threat it has mainly due to the lack of nations  
110                   to take the threat seriously prior to September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001; and,

120       **WHEREAS:**    There are dozens of documented terrorist attacks against the Free World that  
130                   were not taken seriously by those Governments; and,

140       **WHEREAS:**    In 1980, six terrorist attacks against four different countries claimed 952  
150                   innocent lives, in 1981, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was assassinated by  
160                   Islamic Jihad, and in 1982, six terrorist attacks claimed 22 innocent lives and the  
170                   life of Prime Minister of Lebanon; and,

180       **WHEREAS:**    Between 1983-1989, 37 terrorist attacks claimed nearly 1,400 lives and included  
190                   attacks such as: the U.S. Embassy bombing in Lebanon, the bombing of Gulf  
200                   Air Flight 771, the assassination of Indira Gandhi, TWA Flight 847 high  
210                   jacking, the Pan Am flight 103 bombing over Lockerbie, and the Air India  
220                   Flight bombing; and,

230       **WHEREAS:**    Between 1990 and 2000, 56 terrorist attacks claimed approximately 2,000  
240                   innocent lives and included attacks such as: the 1993 WTC bombing, the Israeli  
250                   Embassy bombing by Islamic Jihad, the bombing of the Egyptian Embassy, the  
260                   Khobar Towers bombing, the Luxor Massacre, the Wandhama Massacre, and  
270                   the bombing of the Indian Airline Flight 814; and,

280       **WHEREAS:**    The civilian death toll, from terrorist attacks, in Israel in 2000, was 44, in 2001,  
290                   the civilian death toll was 203, in 2002 the civilian death toll was 390, in 2003  
300                   the civilian death toll was 177, in 2004, the civilian death toll was 114 and in  
310                   2005 the death toll, to date, is 950; and,

320       **WHEREAS:**    The grand total of deaths, since 2000, in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is nearly  
330                   5,000 people; and,

340       **WHEREAS:**    In December of 2001, the Indian Parliament was attacked by terrorists, and, in  
350                   2002, twenty-two terrorist attacks claimed nearly 1,000 innocent lives and  
360                   included attacks such as: the Bali car bombing, the Moscow theatre hostage  
370                   situation, a car bomb against the US Consulate in Karachi, the Limburg tanker  
380                   bombing in Yemen, a bus bomb in Manila, and the Kenyan hotel bombing; and,

390     **WHEREAS:**     Between 2003 and November 2005, nearly sixty terrorist attacks claimed  
400                    thousands of lives and included attacks such as: the Riyadh compound  
410                    bombing, the Casablanca attacks, the Maxim restaurant massacre, the 2003  
420                    Istanbul bombings, the Moscow metro bombing, the train bombings in Madrid,  
430                    the Russian airplane bombings, the Beslan school hostage situation in Russia,  
440                    the Jakarta embassy bombing, the Sinai bombings, the assassination of the  
450                    Lebanese Primer Minister, the Cairo market attacks, the London bombings, and  
460                    the multiple bomb blasts that ripped through India; and,

470     **WHEREAS:**     The President of Iran has signaled his desire to “wipe Israel off the map”.

480     **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the  
490                    President of the United States to make the case to the United Nations that the  
500                    Security Council and all free nations of the World must rise up and attack all  
510                    terrorists and countries that harbor them, militarily; and,

520     **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the President of  
530                    the United States to stay firm in his decision to liberate Iraq and Afghanistan by  
540                    keeping the American military involved as long as necessary; and,

550     **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the President of  
560                    the United States to take any and all necessary action, preemptively if necessary,  
570                    to protect the United States of America.

580     **MANDATES:**     President George W. Bush  
590                    Secretary General Kofi Anan

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