

Senator Pappageorge offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 30.

A resolution to express support for the people of India and our constituents of Indian origin who may have been affected by the terrorist attacks in Mumbai and to urge the President and Congress to work with Indian authorities in both humanitarian and strategic capacities.

Whereas, The nightmarish terrorist attacks in Mumbai, India, have sent shockwaves around the world. With echoes of 2001, Americans are reminded of the challenge all free people face in resisting organizations committed to hatred and murder. As we express our solidarity and sympathy to the Indian people and the Indian-American community here in Michigan, we also urge the President and Congress to do all they can to extend assistance at this critical juncture; and

Whereas, It has become increasingly clear that no nation is immune from the threat of terrorism. Measures taken in the past to safeguard borders from attacks by armies, navies, or aircraft are inadequate against suicide missions carried out by extremist groups bent on killing innocent people. Dealing with these threats requires unprecedented cooperation among peace-loving nations and full cooperation in sharing intelligence and strategies; and

Whereas, As has been expressed by the United States Secretary of State, our countries must bring to bear on these issues all of the tools at our disposal, including technology, if we are to put an end to attacks such as the one that has brought so much death and sadness to Mumbai. This cooperation must also extend far beyond our two nations; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we express support for the people of India following the terrorist attacks in Mumbai and memorialize the President and Congress to work with Indian authorities in both humanitarian and strategic capacities; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.