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DAY OF PRAYER AND SUPPORT FOR PEACE

WASHINGTON, D.C., FEB. 16, 1972 -- The U.S. Senate and House or Representatives today passed the Dole-Arends Concurrent Resolution (S.Con.Res. 57) calling for days of prayer and support for the President's efforts in pursuit of an enduring and lasting peace.

The resolution calls for Monday, February 21, 1972, to be commemorated as a day of united support for the President's efforts in pursuit of the relaxation of international tensions and enduring and just peace.

The resolution also calls for the President to designate Sunday, February 20, 1972, as a National Day of Prayer for the cause of world peace.

COMPLETE TEXT OF RESOLUTION:

S.CON.RES.57

DAY OF PRAYER AND SUPPORT FOR PEACE

Whereas the American people share with all the peoples in the world an earnest desire for peace and the relaxation of tensions among nations; and

- Whereas it is the policy of the United States to engage in negotiations rather than confrontations with other nations; and
- Whereas on February 21, 1972, the Fresident of the United States will begin a historic visit in the Peoples Republic of China to confer with that nation's leaders with the purpose of seeking more normal relations between the two countries and exchanging views on questions of mutual concern; and Whereas the people of the United States hold the highest and
- most fervent hopes for the success of the President's mission: Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That it is the sense of Congress--

concurring), That it is the sense of Congress--(1) that Monday, February 21, 1972, be commemorated as a day of united support for the President's efforts in pursuit of the relaxation of international tensions and enduring and just peace:

(2) that the leaders of all nations and men of good will throughout the world be urged to devote all possible efforts This press release is from the collections at the Robert J. Dole Archive and Special Collections, University of Kansas. Please contact us with any questions or comments: http://dolearchive.ku.edu/ask

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to promote the cause of peace and international harmony as set forth in the preamble to the Charter of the United Nations; (3) that the President designate Sunday, February 20, 1972, as a National Day of Prayer for the cause of world peace; and (4) that copies of this resolution be sent to the Governors of the several States and be delivered by the appropriate representatives of the United States Government to the appropriate representatives of every nation of the world.

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