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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 23, 2013

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. NEAL, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. KEATING, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Commending the heroism, courage, and sacrifice of Sean Collier, an officer in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Police Department, Martin Richard, an 8-year-old resident of Dorchester, Massachusetts, Krystle Campbell, Lu Lingzi, a student at Boston University, and all the victims who are recovering from injuries caused by the attacks in Boston, Massachusetts, including Richard Donohue, Jr., an officer in the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Transit Police Department.

Whereas, in the aftermath of the deadly bombings that occurred on Patriots' Day, April 15, 2013, during the run-

ning of the 117th Boston Marathon, the residents of Massachusetts and the people of the United States witnessed the incredible bravery, dedication, and sacrifice of law enforcement officers, first responders, and citizen heroes;

Whereas Sean Collier of Wilmington, Massachusetts, an officer in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Police Department, gave his life in the line of duty, the ultimate sacrifice, during this ordeal;

Whereas Officer Sean Collier was protecting the students of MIT when he was killed as he sat in his police cruiser;

Whereas Officer Sean Collier was known by his family, friends, and co-workers as a generous, kind, friendly, and devoted individual and officer who was on the cusp of achieving his dream of joining the Somerville Police Force;

Whereas the people of the United States join with the family of Officer Sean Collier, MIT colleagues and friends, the Wilmington community he grew up in, and fellow Salem State alumni who will always remember Officer Collier as a dedicated, hardworking, and respected young police officer;

Whereas the people of the United States remember Martin Richard, an 8-year-old boy from Dorchester, Massachusetts;

Whereas Martin Richard loved to play sports and draw pictures, and was dearly loved by his family, friends, classmates, and community;

Whereas the people of the United States will always remember and strive to live by Martin's poignant and powerful message of "No more hurting people. Peace";

Whereas the people of the United States remember Krystle Campbell, who lived in Arlington, Massachusetts, and never missed a Boston Marathon;

Whereas Krystle Campbell will be remembered as a selfless and caring person who was always there for others;

Whereas the people of the United States are inspired by Krystle Campbell and her kind act of caring for her grandmother, who was recovering from an operation;

Whereas the people of the United States remember Lu Lingzi, who came to the United States from China to study statistics at Boston University;

Whereas, on the morning of the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013, Lu Lingzi posted on a social media site to her friends that she was enjoying her day;

Whereas Lu Lingzi is a reminder of our common humanity, and that these senseless acts of terrorism, such as the bombings that occurred during the running of the Boston Marathon, are crimes that have no borders;

Whereas Richard Donohue, Jr., an officer in the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Transit Police Department, worked a shift at the Boston Marathon on Monday, April 15, 2013, and was wounded early in the morning on Friday, April 19, 2013, when he raced to assist officers from the MIT and City of Cambridge Police Departments as they pursued the Boston Marathon bombing suspects in Watertown, Massachusetts;

Whereas, during the ensuing shootout with the Boston Marathon bombing suspects, Officer Richard Donohue, Jr., and other officers, acting with complete disregard for their own safety, withstood a barrage of gunfire and explosives unleashed by the suspects;

Whereas, during the shootout with the Boston Marathon bombing suspects, Officer Richard Donohue, Jr., was seriously wounded by a bullet that nearly took his life;

Whereas Officer Richard Donohue, Jr., is recovering from his injuries and remains in critical but stable condition; and

Whereas the people of the United States pray for all the people who were wounded during the attacks, and pledge to assist them in any way possible to help them recover from their injuries: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that—

3 (1) the people of the United States honor the
4 memories of Officer Sean Collier, Martin Richard,
5 Krystle Campbell, and Lu Lingzi, and express deep
6 condolences to their families and friends;

7 (2) Officer Sean Collier and Officer Richard
8 Donohue, Jr., represent the best of Massachusetts
9 and of law enforcement;

10 (3) the people of the United States convey pro-
11 found gratitude and prayers for a complete recovery
12 to Officer Richard Donohue, Jr., and to all of the
13 other victims who remain in the hospital recovering
14 from injuries caused by the attacks in Boston, Mas-
15 sachusetts;

16 (4) the service and sacrifice of Officer Sean
17 Collier and Officer Richard Donohue, Jr., will never
18 be forgotten by the residents of Massachusetts or

1 the people of the United States, and will forever
2 serve as an example of incredible bravery and sac-
3 rifice; and

4 (5) the people of the United States express
5 thanks to the men and women of law enforcement
6 for their unwavering determination, courage, and re-
7 solve to bring to justice the people responsible for
8 the bombings that occurred during the running of
9 the 117th Boston Marathon.

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