

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18

Whereas, Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a Chinese practice of gentle exercise and meditation based on the universal principles of truthfulness, compassion, and forbearance; and

Whereas, this practice, which transcends all cultural, social, economic, and national boundaries, has helped millions of practitioners in over 70 countries create and improve personal well-being and become more productive members of society; and

Whereas, in 1999 the government of the People's Republic of China outlawed the practice of Falun Dafa in that nation and created a campaign of persecution and terror against its peaceful adherents; and

Whereas, independent investigations confirmed that the Chinese regime commits forced organ harvesting on Falun Dafa prisoners of conscience that results in their deaths; and

Whereas, this persecution campaign against practitioners of Falun Dafa denies the basic human rights of freedom of belief, assembly and expression:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the members of the Missouri Senate, Ninety-eighth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby declare our support for the Falun Dafa movement and its followers and urge the United States government to demonstrate its support for freedom of expression to practice Falun Dafa; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Secretary of the Missouri Senate be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for each member of the Missouri Congressional delegation.

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