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Expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the removal from the United States of aliens charged under State law with aggravated felonies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas in April 2008, a 20-year-old foreign national was arrested and charged with endangering the welfare of a child and aggravated sexual assault following an alleged attack on a 12-year-old girl;

Whereas the suspect was remanded to Morris County, New Jersey, jail;

Whereas the suspect posted \$50,000 bail in August 2008, to secure his release prior to his preliminary hearing and subsequent trial;

Whereas the Morris County Sheriff's office transferred custody of the suspect to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") that month;

Whereas in September 2008, the suspect was transferred to an ICE detention center in Louisiana where he appeared before an immigration judge and was ordered removed;

Whereas the suspect failed to appear for his preliminary hearing in November 2008, in Morris County, New Jersey, prompting a warrant to be issued for his arrest;

Whereas a Morris County grand jury indicted the suspect on aggravated sexual assault charges in December 2008;

Whereas appropriate officials in Morris County, New Jersey, were never informed that this potentially dangerous suspect was about to be or was subsequently removed from the United States;

Whereas the removal of this suspect will delay, if not prevent, the suspect from answering these serious charges in an appropriate court in the United States; and

Whereas a New Jersey victim and her family have been denied justice: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that the
 3 Secretary of Homeland Security should develop an effec-
 4 tive and efficient system of communication with State and
 5 local law enforcement officials that allows such officials
 6 to know, in a timely manner, when suspects charged in

- 1 their jurisdictions with aggravated felonies are in the final
- 2 stages of the removal process.

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