

114TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. RES. 539

Condemning the horrific acts of violence and hatred in Dallas, Texas, on July 7, 2016, and expressing support and prayers for all those impacted by the tragedy.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 14, 2016

Mr. CORNYN submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Condemning the horrific acts of violence and hatred in Dallas, Texas, on July 7, 2016, and expressing support and prayers for all those impacted by the tragedy.

Whereas, on July 7, 2016, during a rally and march in Dallas, Texas, a lone gunman opened fire, killing 5 police officers and wounding 9 other officers and 2 bystanders;

Whereas this act of violence and hatred is the deadliest attack on United States law enforcement officers since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001;

Whereas this act of violence and hatred occurred during a lawful, peaceful, nonviolent political demonstration;

Whereas this attack took place with the intention of targeting police officers;

Whereas Federal, State, and local law enforcement personnel performed their duties admirably during the attack and risked their lives for the safety of the people of Dallas; and

Whereas the residents of Dallas came together to support the victims, and the families, friends, and loved ones of the victims: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) condemns, in the strongest possible terms,  
3       the heinous attack that occurred in Dallas, Texas,  
4       on July 7, 2016;

5               (2) expresses its belief that an attack upon a  
6       police officer is an affront to the rule of law and the  
7       promise of justice, domestic tranquility, common de-  
8       fense, and general welfare and the blessings of lib-  
9       erty secured by the Constitution of the United  
10      States;

11              (3) offers its condolences to the families,  
12      friends, and loved ones of those who were killed  
13      while protecting the city of Dallas and expresses its  
14      hope for the quick and complete recovery of the sur-  
15      vivors wounded in the shooting;

16              (4) applauds the bravery and dedication exhib-  
17      ited by the hundreds of Federal, State, and local law  
18      enforcement officials, emergency medical responders,  
19      and others who offered their support and assistance;  
20      and

1           (5) stands together united against violence and  
2           hatred, and in support of the brave and honorable  
3           police officers across the United States who work  
4           every day to keep the country safe.

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