



H.CON.RES. 32 – Honoring the members of the United States Air Force who were killed in the June 25, 1996, terrorist bombing of the Khobar Towers United States military housing compound near Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

FLOOR SITUATION

H.Con.Res. 32 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Jeff Miller (R-FL) on January 12, 2007. The resolution was referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, but was never considered.

H.Con.Res. 32 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on May 20, 2008.

SUMMARY

H.Res. 32 resolves that the House of Representatives on the occasion of the 11th anniversary of the terrorist bombing of the Khobar Towers United States military housing compound in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia:

- Recognizes the service and sacrifice of the 19 members of the United States Air Force who died in that attack;
- Calls upon every American to pause and pay tribute to those brave airmen;
- Extends its continued sympathies to the families of those who died; and
- Assures the members of the Armed Forces serving anywhere in the world that their well-being and interests will at all times be given the highest priority.

BACKGROUND

On June 25, 1996, terrorists bombed the Khobar Towers United States military housing compound near Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, killing 19 American Air Force personnel. There were 300 other Americans that were injured after the bombing. The terrorists that committed the bombing have not yet been brought to justice but the following individuals were indicted on murder, conspiracy and other charges related to the bombing:

- Ahmed Ibrahim,
- Al-MughassilAbdelkarim,
- Hussein Mohamed Al-NasserAli,
- Saed Bin Ali El-Hoorielbrahim,
- Salih Mohammed Al-Yacoub,
- Nine other Saudis, and:
- One Lebanese man listed as "John Doe."

Staff Sergeant Alfredo R. Guerrero noticed the truck that was used for the attack and reported the threat. He then began a floor by floor evacuation which resulted in a much lower death total. He was awarded the Airman's Medal for his actions, which is the highest peacetime award for valor.



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June 25, 2008 will mark the twelve year anniversary of the attacks.

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