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Condemning the racist and anti-Semitic views of the Reverend Al
Sharpton.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 20, 2000

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

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Condemning the racist and anti-Semitic views of the Reverend Al
Sharpton.

Whereas the Congress strongly rejects the racist and incendiary actions of the
Reverend Al Sharpton;

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton has condoned anti-Semitic views in that
protesters from the Reverend Sharpton's National Action Network have
referred to members of the Jewish faith as ``bloodsucking [J]ews'', and
``Jew bastards'';

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton has referred to members of the Jewish faith as
``white interlopers'' and ``diamond merchants'';

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton was found guilty of defamation by a jury in a
New York court arising from the false accusation that former Assistant
District Attorney Steven Pagones, who is white, raped and assaulted a
fifteen year-old black girl;

Whereas, to this day, the Reverend Al Sharpton has refused to accept
responsibility and expresses no regret for defaming Mr. Pagones;

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton's vicious verbal anti-Semitic attacks directed
at members of the Jewish faith, and in particular, a Jewish landlord,
arising from a simple landlord-tenant dispute with a black tenant,
incited widespread violence, riots, and the murder of five innocent
people;

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton's fierce demagoguery incited violence, riots,
and murder in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn, New York, following
the accidental death of a black pedestrian child hit by the motorcade of
Orthodox Rabbi Menachem Schneerson;

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton led a protest in the Crown Heights neighborhood
and marched next to a protester with a sign that read, ``The White Man
is the Devil'';

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton has insulted members of the Jewish faith by
challenging Jews to violence and stating to Jews to ``pin down'' their
yarmulkes; and

Whereas the Reverend Al Sharpton has practiced the politics of racial division
and made inflammatory remarks against whites by characterizing the death
of Amadou Diallo as a ``racially motivated police `assassination'':

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),
That the Congress--

(1) condemns the practices of the Reverend Al Sharpton,
which seek to divide Americans on the basis of race, ethnicity,
and religion;

(2) expresses its outrage over the violence that has
resulted due to the Reverend Al Sharpton's incendiary words and
actions; and

(3) fervently urges elected officials and public servants,
who have condoned and legitimized the Reverend Al Sharpton's
incendiary words and actions, to publicly denounce and condemn
such racist and anti-Semitic views.

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