

SRES 171

A resolution commending the people who have sacrificed their personal freedoms to bring about democratic change in the People's Republic of China and expressing sympathy for the families of the people who were killed, wounded, or imprisoned, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Tiananmen Square Massacre in Beijing, China from June 3 through 4, 1989.

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Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 SRES 167	Related bill	Jun 3, 2009: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6050)

Summary (as of Jun 8, 2009)

Commends the people who demonstrated at Tiananmen Square and elsewhere in the People's Republic of China (PRC) in 1989, many of whom sacrificed their lives and freedom to bring about democratic change and gain freedom of expression, assembly, association, and religion for the people of China.

Expresses sympathy for the families of those who were killed, wounded, or imprisoned due to their involvement in the peaceful protests in Tiananmen Square.

Condemns the ongoing human rights abuses by the PRC.

Calls on the Government of the PRC to: (1) release all Tiananmen Square prisoners; (2) allow freedom of speech; and (3) cease intimidation and imprisonment of religious minorities and those who disagree with PRC policies.

Supports efforts by free speech activists in China and elsewhere.

Urges the President to support peaceful advocates of free speech around the world.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 8, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
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