were arrested and imprisoned for taking part in the Freedom March. Now, therefore, be it 
Resolved by the Senate (the House of Rep- 
resentatives concurring), That the Congress—
(1) condemns the current Belarusian re- 
gime;
(2) further condemns the arrests of Anatoly 
Lebedko, Nikolay Statkevich, and Valery 
Shchukin;
(3) is gravely concerned about the dis- 
appearances of Viktor Gonchar, Yuri 
Krasovsky, Yuri Zakharenka, Tamara 
Vinnikova, and other members of the opposi- 
tion;
(4) calls for immediate dialogue between 
President Lukashenka and the Consultative 
Council of Belarusian opposition and the res- 
tration of a civilian, democratically elected 
government in Belarus;
(5) calls for a duly constituted national 
legislature, the rule of law, and an inde- 
pendent judiciary;
(6) urges President Lukashenka to respect 
the human rights of all Belarusian citizens, 
including those members of the opposition 
who are currently determinedly detained in 
violation of their constitutional rights;
(7) further urges President Lukashenka 
to make good on his promise to hold free par- 
limentary elections in 2000;
(8) supports the appeal by the Consultative 
Council of Belarusian opposition parties to 
the Government of Russia, the State Duma, 
and the Foreign Affairs Council for a cessation 
of support for Lukashenka’s regime;
(9) calls on the international community 
to support the opposition by continuing to 
meet, with the legitimately elected par- 
lament; and
(10) calls on the President of the United 
States to continue to—
(A) fund travel to the United States by the 
Belarusian opposition figures;
(B) provide funding for the nongovern- 
mental organizations in Belarus; and
(C) support information flows into Belarus.

• Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, in 1996, 
President Alexander Lukashenka im- 
posed a new constitution on Belarus that 
effectively destroyed its nascent 
democracy and returned that country to a 
Soviet-style police state. In the years 
since the fall of the Soviet empire. 
Western countries have made in only 10 
years what Poland, Lithuania, and Latvia 
did in the course of a generation. The 
individuals who are required to live under 
the current law are routinely denied their 
constitutional rights. The obstacles to 
democracy and human rights in Belarus are 
so severe that they are a threat to the 
security of the entire region.

The situation in Belarus has wors- 
ened dramatically in recent months for 
remaining members of the opposition. 
Some have disappeared, including 
Viktor Gonchar, Yuri Krasovsky, Yuri 
Zakharenka, and Tamara Vinnikova.

• Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, I am 
pleased to introduce a resolution on the 
occasion of the 5th anniversary of the 
inauguration of the first U.S. president 
from the other side of the world—and the 
thanks of the people of this country. 

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEE TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. GRASSLEY. Without objection, I ask 
unanimous consent that the Com- 
mittee on the Judiciary be authorized to 
meet during the session of the Sen- 
ate on Wednesday, November 17, 1999, 
after the 10 a.m. vote, to conduct a 
markup in Dirksen Room 226.

PANDA TRIBUTE

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Mr. CLELAND. Mr. President, I share 
with my colleagues some very ex- 
citing news coming out of my home 
county of Georgia. Earlier this month, 
two giant pandas, Lun Lun and Yang 
Yang, were delivered safely by UPS 
from Beijing, China to their new home 
at Zoo Atlanta after a 17-hour global 
journey.

Zoo Atlanta Director Dr. Terry 
Maple “signed” for the special delivery 
during a welcoming ceremony at At-
tlanta’s Hartsfield International Air-
port with more than 200 dignitaries and