hope to millions of people throughout the former Yugoslavia.

Above all, as Senator McConnell has already noted, we should congratulate Prime Minister Djindjic for surrendering Milosevic should be aware that for the United States there is no alternative. We will not support a Serb Government that does not cooperate with the Hague and the rule of law on a solid footing, it was necessary to bring to an end the regimes that have devastated the country and establish democracy and the people who devastated the country and establish democracy and the rule of law.

In addition to the apprehension and transfer to The Hague of the former Yugoslavia in their names. We will not support a regime that does not cooperate with the Hague and the rule of law.

Whereas, over the past 10 years, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS), the oldest international migration and refugee resettlement agency in the world, has assisted more than 4,500,000 migrants of all faiths to immigrate to the United States, Israel, and other safe havens around the world;

Whereas, since the 1970s, HIAS has re-settled more than 400,000 refugees from more than 50 countries to the United States. HIAS has provided high quality resettlement services through a network of local Jewish community social service agencies;

Whereas HIAS has helped bring to the United States such outstanding individuals as former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, artist Marc Chagall, Olympic gold medalist Lenny Kravitz, poet and Nobel Laureate Joseph Brodsky, and author and restaurateur George Lang;

Whereas HIAS has assisted with United States refugee programs overseas, often through joint voluntary agency, providing refugee processing, cultural orientation, and other services in Moscow, Vienna, Kiev, Tel Aviv, Rome, and Guadalajara;

Whereas through publications, public meetings, and radio and television broadcasts, HIAS is a crucial provider of information, counseling, legal assistance, and other services, including outreach programs for the Russian-speaking immigrant community, to immigrants and asylum seekers in the United States;

Whereas HIAS plays a vital role in serving the needs of refugees, immigrants, and asylum seekers, and continues to work in areas of conflict and instability, seeking to rescue those who are fleeing from danger and persecution;

Whereas on September 9, 2001, HIAS will celebrate the 120th anniversary of its founding: Now, therefore, be it

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

(1) recognizes the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS), and the immigrants and refugees that HIAS has served, for the contributions they have made to the United States; and

(2) congratulates HIAS on the 120th anniversary of its founding;

(b) It is the sense of Congress that the President should issue a proclamation recognizing September 9, 2001, as the 120th anniversary of the founding of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, and calling on the people of the United States to conduct appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs to demonstrate appreciation for the contributions made by HIAS to the United States.

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I am proud to submit a resolution honoring the 120th anniversary of the founding of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society. During its distinguished history, the Society has helped more than 4.5 million immigrants of all faiths who have come to the United States, Israel, and other safe havens around the world. Since 1970, the Society has assisted more than 400,000 refugees from more than 50 countries in resettling in the United States, and these individuals have provided indispensable contributions to this country.

I also commend the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society for its continuing efforts to remind this country of the importance of a wise policy on refugees. As we continue our work throughout the world, the Society has helped ensure that the United States has an effective and humane response to each human tragedy. By maintaining a vigorous refugee resettlement program, we set an example for other nations to follow.

The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society continues to have a vital role in serving the needs of refugees, immigrants, and asylum seekers. Our country owes it an enormous debt of gratitude, and I urge the Senate to agree to this well-deserved tribute.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 58—EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE TENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASIA PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM

Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. BOND) submitted the following concurrent resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

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Whereas the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum was founded by former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone in 1993, whereas the Tokyo Declaration, signed by 59 parliamentarians from 15 countries, entered into force as the founding charter of the forum on January 14 and 15, 1993, establishing the basic structure of the forum as an inter-parliamentary organization, whereas the original 15 members, one of which was the United States, have increased to 27 member countries; whereas the forum serves to promote regional identification and cooperation through discussion of matters of common concern to all member states and serves, to a great extent, as the legislative arm of the Asian-Pacific Economic Cooperation; whereas the focus of the forum lies in resolving political, economic, environmental security, law and order, human rights, education, and cultural issues; whereas the forum will hold its tenth annual meeting on January 6 through 9, 2002, which will be the first forum hosted by the United States; whereas approximately 270 parliamentarians from 27 countries in the Asia Pacific region will attend this meeting; whereas the Secretariat of the meeting will be the Center for Cultural and Technical Exchange Between East and West in Honolulu, Hawaii; whereas the East-West Center is an internationally recognized education and research organization established by the 86th Congress in 1960 largely through the efforts of the Eisenhower administration and the Congress; whereas it is the mission of the East-West Center to strengthen understanding and relations between the United States and the countries of the Asia-Pacific region and to help promote the establishment of a stable, peaceful and prosperous Asia Pacific community in which the United States is a natural, valued and leading partner; whereas it is the agenda of this meeting to advance democracy, peace, and prosperity in the Asia Pacific region; therefore, be it Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Congress—