WHEREAS, the goal of the American people is now, and ever has been, a just and lasting peace, and

WHEREAS, the deepest wish of our nation is to join with all other nations in preserving man's dignity, and in observing those moral principles which alone lend meaning to his existence, and

WHEREAS, in proof of this, the United States has offered to share all that is good in atomic energy, asking in return only safeguards against the evil misuse of the power of the atom, and

WHEREAS, this nation has likewise given of its substance and resources to help those peoples ravaged by war and poverty, and

WHEREAS, terrible danger to the security of the free world compels the United States to undertake a vast program of armaments expenditures, and

WHEREAS, we rearm only with reluctance and would prefer to devote our energies to peaceful pursuits, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of this Congress reaffirm the historic devotion to peace and the abiding desire of the American people to live in friendship with all other peoples, including the peoples of the Soviet Union, by declaring

That the American people deeply regret the artificial barriers which separate them from the peoples of the USSR, and which keep the Soviet peoples from learning of the desire of the American people to live in friendship with all other peoples, and to work with them in advancing the ideal of human brotherhood, and

That the American people desire neither war nor the death of a single peace-loving Soviet citizen or soldier, and

That although they are firmly determined to defend their freedom and security, the American people welcome all honorable efforts to compose the differences standing between the United States and the Soviet government.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Congress request the President of the United States to call upon the government of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics to acquaint the peoples of the Soviet Union with the contents of this resolution.