

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 451

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A RESOLUTION to express support for the Christian militias in Northern Iraq and Syria.

WHEREAS, as the Kurds (who are Muslim), who were protecting Northern Iraq have pulled out, ISIS is now free to terrorize Northern Iraq as well as Syria; and

WHEREAS, Christian refugees in UN controlled refugee camps are kidnapped and brutally killed by ISIS which has free reign in the UN camps; and

WHEREAS, faith-based camps are at overflow capacity, typically with 10,000 to 20,000 living without food or shelter outside the camps. ISIS patrols the area outside these camps and anyone caught scavenging for food or firewood is brutally killed; and

WHEREAS, Christian militias are now protecting Christians and other non-Muslim minorities in Northern Iraq; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that Tennessee opposes the federal government's refusal to arm the Christian militias protecting the camps and demands that the federal government not only arm the militias but provide military support for security at all faith-based camps.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tennessee also opposes the federal government providing aid to ISIS via its current policy of air drops of supplies to ISIS camps and providing military hardware.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, and each member of the Tennessee Congressional delegation, with this final clause omitted from such copy.