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H. RES. 886

Condemning Charles “Chuck” Schumer, Senator of New York.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BIGGS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Condemning Charles “Chuck” Schumer, Senator of New
York.

Whereas Senator Schumer participated in a rally outside of
the Supreme Court of the United States on March 4,
2020, at which he directed a threat at Justice Gorsuch
and Justice Kavanaugh;

Whereas Senator Schumer specifically stated, “I want to tell
you, Gorsuch. I want to tell you, Kavanaugh. You have
released the whirlwind, and you will pay the price. You
won’t know what hit you if you go forward with these
awful decisions.”;

Whereas elected officials, including Majority Whip Steve Sca-
lise and Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, have already
been victims of physical violence rooted in political dis-
agreement;

Whereas Chief Justice John Roberts issued a statement shortly after these comments took place, saying, “Justices know that criticism comes with the territory, but threatening statements of this sort from the highest levels of government are not only inappropriate, they are dangerous.”;

Whereas Senator Schumer’s comments to not contribute anything positive to the public dialogue;

Whereas Senator Schumer is the leader of his conference in the Senate and is held to a higher standard for his colleagues and the American people to follow;

Whereas Senator Schumer’s comments are in direct conflict with the constitutional process by which cases are deliberated and verdicts are issued by the Supreme Court; and

Whereas Senator Schumer is setting the foundation for public and political unrest should the case be decided contrary to his party’s preference: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That—

2 (1) the House of Representatives condemns
3 Senator Charles “Chuck” Schumer for rhetoric that
4 threatens two Supreme Court justices and incites
5 public discord, and is not befitting an elected Mem-
6 ber of the Congress; and

7 (2) it is the sense of the House of Representa-
8 tives that Charles “Chuck” Schumer, Senator of
9 New York, should—

1 (A) issue a formal apology to Justice
2 Kavanaugh and Justice Gorsuch for making
3 threats and sowing seeds of discord; and

4 (B) issue a public statement that threats
5 towards members of any of the three branches
6 of the Federal Government are not an appro-
7 priate reaction for anyone—especially those in
8 elected office—to express disagreement with
9 any duly elected or appointed member of the ex-
10 ecutive, legislative, or judicial branch.

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