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Expressing the sense of the Congress concerning
the 2002 World Cup and co-hosts Republic of
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Whereas the United States has developed close relationships with the Republic of Korea and Japan;

Whereas the Republic of Korea and Japan have been close allies with the United States in the war against terrorism;

Whereas the Republic of Korea and Japan will co-host the 2002 Federation International Football Association (FIFA) World Cup Korea/Japan;

Whereas the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan will be the first FIFA World Cup to be held in Asia;

Whereas 32 nations have been qualified to compete from May 31 through June 30 of 2002, and will send some 1,500 coaches and athletes to the Republic of Korea and Japan, making this year's World Cup the largest ever;

Whereas the Korean and Japanese organizing committees for the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan have effectively directed the preparations for unprecedented security precautions in both host nations;

Whereas during the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan, billions of people are expected to view the competition;

Whereas the co-hosting of the FIFA World Cup by the Republic of Korea and Japan symbolizes the friendly relations between the two host nations, both key allies of the United States; and

Whereas the co-hosting of this international sporting event contributes to enhancing peace and stability in Northeast Asia: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That Congress—

3 (1) appreciates the mutually beneficial relation-
4 ship between the United States and the Republic of
5 Korea and the United States and Japan;

6 (2) commends the Republic of Korea/Japan
7 2002 FIFA World Cup organizers for the attention

1 they have given to security precautions during the
2 event; and

3 (3) recognizes and applauds the cooperation of
4 the President of the Republic of Korea, Kim Dae-
5 jung, and the Prime Minister of Japan, Junichiro
6 Koizumi, in the hosting of the largest and most
7 widely viewed World Cup competition in the history
8 of the sport.

Passed the House of Representatives June 11, 2002.

Attest:

Clerk.