



Legislation Text

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STOPPING CRIME AND VIOLENCE IN OUR CITIES AND TOWNS

WHEREAS, America's communities and families are scarred by increasing numbers of violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, the level of violence associated with criminal acts is also increasing; and

WHEREAS, no community or family is untouched by incidents of crime or the fear of being victimized by crime; and

WHEREAS, reductions in the level of crime and reductions in the level of fear of crime will require enactment of meaningful national anti-crime legislation as well as work by local communities and state governments to develop and implement long term solutions that deal with both the causes and effects of crime; and

WHEREAS, the growing violence in our cities demands an end to national legislative gridlock; and

WHEREAS, achieving a productive partnership to cut crime will require immediate action by the Congress.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Jonesboro urgently calls upon the Congress to enact anti-crime legislation immediately so that the resources and programs which such legislation will provide can be utilized on a timely basis--the need is now.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such anti-crime legislation should include:

- * A balanced approach that includes both enforcement and prevention programs.
- * Direct block grant anti-crime funds to cities and towns, with a maximum flexibility allowed in the use of those funds.
- * Exploration of cooperative programs with the U.S. military to create education and training programs for at-risk young people in our cities and towns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Jonesboro rededicates itself to crime prevention and suppression and calls upon its citizens to assist in these efforts.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of April, 1994.