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H. RES. 864

Congratulating President Obama for winning of the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAYSON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Congratulating President Obama for winning of the 2009
Nobel Peace Prize.

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee has decided to award the Nobel Peace Prize for 2009 to President Barack Obama for his extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples;

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee has attached special importance to Obama's vision of and work for a world without nuclear weapons, and his ability to create a new climate in international politics;

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee lauded the fact that multilateral diplomacy that has regained a central position in the foreign policy of the United States, with emphasis on the role that the United Nations and other international institutions can play;

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee has espoused the common view that dialogue and negotiations are preferred as instruments for resolving even the most difficult international conflicts;

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee has recognized that President Obama's vision of a world free from nuclear arms has powerfully stimulated disarmament and arms control negotiations;

Whereas thanks to President Obama's initiative, the United States is now playing a more constructive role in meeting the great climatic challenges the world is confronting;

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee has proclaimed that democracy and human rights are to be strengthened;

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee stated, "Only very rarely has a person to the same extent as Obama captured the world's attention and given its people hope for a better future. His diplomacy is founded in the concept that those who are to lead the world must do so on the basis of values and attitudes that are shared by the majority of the world's population";

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee stated that for 108 years it has sought to stimulate precisely that international policy and those attitudes for which Obama is now the world's leading spokesman; and

Whereas the Norwegian Nobel Committee endorsed Obama's appeal that "Now is the time for all of us to take our share of responsibility for a global response to global challenges.": Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives con-
- 2 gratulates President Barack Hussein Obama for winning

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1 the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize, on behalf of all the people
2 of the United States.

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