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# S. RES. 220

Expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the June 30, 2011, opening  
of the Tom Lantos Institute in Budapest, Hungary.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 29, 2011

Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. REID) submitted the following  
resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

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2011, opening of the Tom Lantos Institute in Budapest,  
Hungary.

Whereas the late Congressman Tom Lantos was a champion  
of human and minority rights in Europe and around the  
world;

Whereas Congressman Lantos, the only Holocaust survivor to  
be elected to the United States Congress, was a leading  
voice on human rights and founding co-chairman of the  
Congressional Human Rights Caucus, now known as the  
Tom Lantos Human Rights Caucus;

Whereas Congressman Lantos always remained a proud Hun-  
garian-American and an active promoter of strong co-  
operation between the country of his birth and the  
United States;

Whereas Congressman Lantos was a tireless advocate for tolerance and moderation, virtues embodied in the stated mission of the Tom Lantos Institute in Budapest;

Whereas the Tom Lantos Institute is a non-profit, non-partisan, and independent organization supported by the Government of Hungary and dedicated to the goal of promoting human and minority rights in Central and Eastern Europe;

Whereas educational programs on human and minority rights will lay the foundation for a more sustainable and inclusive peace; and

Whereas a strong transatlantic partnership is in the mutual interests of the United States and the countries of Central and Eastern Europe: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate—

2               (1) to recognize and applaud the opening of the  
3       Tom Lantos Institute;

4               (2) to acknowledge the Government of Hungary  
5       for honoring the legacy of Congressman Lantos  
6       through its contributions to the Institute;

7               (3) to express support for the principles of the  
8       Institute, including democracy, pluralism, and  
9       human and minority rights;

10              (4) to express support for the education of  
11       present and future generations in Central and East-  
12       ern Europe, which will contribute to regional co-  
13       operation, historical reconciliation, and tolerance  
14       throughout the Euro-Atlantic region; and

1           (5) to encourage the people and the govern-  
2           ments of the United States and the countries of  
3           Central and Eastern Europe to continue to deepen  
4           and broaden their relations.

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