

Senate Resolution 554

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Supporting the rights of the people of Iran to protest the hostile actions of the Iranian regime
2 without subjection to violent retaliation or retribution from their government and the efforts
3 of the Iranian people to bring effective democracy to their nation; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, it is the right of all individuals to organize and demonstrate peacefully without
5 fear of their government endangering their well-being for free expression; and

6 WHEREAS, our support for democratic protestors in Iran and around the globe is an
7 extension of our love for American freedom, and our encouragement should be intuitive and
8 without reservation; and

9 WHEREAS, the Iranian regime has a long-standing history of inhumane treatment and
10 violence toward those who express concerns with leadership; and

11 WHEREAS, the Iranian regime killed demonstrators who protested Iran's decision to shoot
12 down a passenger airliner on Saturday, January 11, suppressing and withholding evidence
13 of these killings from the international community; and

14 WHEREAS, Speaker Nancy Pelosi and congressional democrats have turned their backs on
15 the Iranians yearning for freedom and democracy, and democratic leadership is complicit in
16 the authoritarian regime's acts of violence and oppression by working to obstruct the military
17 actions and diplomatic initiatives of President Donald J. Trump.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 support the Iranian people in their efforts to speak out against the tyranny of the Iranian
20 regime and bring democratic values to their country.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
22 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
23 press.