

# SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 98

Senators Bellino, Nesbitt, Bumstead, Lauwers, Theis, Damoose, Outman, Johnson, Hauck, Hoitenga, Huizenga, McBroom, Albert, Webber, Daley, Lindsey and Victory offered the following resolution:

1           A resolution to denounce the open-borders policies of the  
2 Biden Administration, condemn the resulting national security and  
3 public safety crisis, and urge the President to end his  
4 Administration's open-borders policies.

5           Whereas, The United States is facing a terrible border  
6 security crisis. In each month since February 2021, the first full  
7 month of the Biden Administration, U.S. Customs and Border  
8 Protection has had more than 100,000 encounters with illegal  
9 immigrants along the southwest border, with that number topping  
10 300,000 in December 2023 alone. The total number of encounters with  
11 illegal aliens along the southwest border during the first three

1 years of the Biden Administration exceeds 7 million. Unfortunately,  
2 the Biden Administration has released over 3.1 million illegal  
3 aliens into the interior of the United States. In addition, during  
4 the Biden Administration, more than 1.7 million known illegal alien  
5 "gotaways" have successfully evaded U.S. Border Patrol, with an  
6 untold number of unknown "gotaways" who evaded detection along the  
7 southwest border; and

8       Whereas, The rate at which known and suspected terrorists are  
9 being encountered along the southwest border has drastically  
10 increased from the Trump Administration to the Biden  
11 Administration. From October 2020 to January 2024, U.S. Border  
12 Patrol encountered 331 aliens on the Terrorist Screening Dataset  
13 between ports of entry along the southern border. This is an  
14 increase of over 2,900 percent compared to the number of such  
15 aliens encountered between October 2016 and September 2020; and

16       Whereas, The Biden Administration created the illegal alien  
17 crisis at the southwest border by terminating the Migrant  
18 Protection Protocols, halting border wall construction for years,  
19 abusing parole authority, mass releasing millions of illegal aliens  
20 into the country, and implementing policies that incentivize  
21 illegal immigration, among other actions. Further, the Biden  
22 Administration has systematically dismantled immigration  
23 enforcement and restricted the ability of immigration officials to  
24 deport aliens who violate United States law, ensuring relatively  
25 few aliens, including criminal aliens, are removed from the  
26 country. The Biden Administration's lax immigration enforcement  
27 policies have allowed fentanyl to saturate our nation and kill  
28 Americans. This extreme border crisis has made every state a border  
29 state; and

1           Whereas, The Biden Administration refuses to use tools already  
2 at its disposal to end the border crisis. The Administration's  
3 proposed solution to the border problem—legislation to grant  
4 amnesty to tens of millions of illegal aliens—will do nothing but  
5 incentivize additional illegal immigration; now, therefore, be it

6           Resolved by the Senate, That we denounce the Biden  
7 Administration's open-borders policies; and be it further

8           Resolved, That we condemn the national security and public  
9 safety crisis that President Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala  
10 Harris, Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas, and  
11 other Biden Administration officials have created along the  
12 southwest border; and be it further

13           Resolved, That we urge the President to end his  
14 Administration's open-borders policies.