

Indian Americans rally to condemn Pulwama attack

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CHICAGO: Indian Americans at large unanimously and strongly condemned a recent attack by Jaish-e-Mohammed, a designated Foreign Terrorist Organization by the State Department that killed 40 members of the Central Reserve Police Force and injured a similar number in the Pulwama District of the Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir.

STAND AGAINST TERROR RALLY IN NAPERVILLE

A Naperville (a south side suburb of Chicago) based well patronized organization, the Indian Community Outreach, hosted a very successful rally on Stand Against Terror with candlelight vigil and a peaceful demonstration to condemn the inhuman and barbaric terrorist attack.

The Indian Community Outreach (ICO), supported by Indian American Community and several organizations, held the vigil and the rally on February



Floral tribute to jawans at Dallas

18 from 6 pm to 7 pm at Dan Shanower Memorial on 400 E Eagle, Naperville, Illinois.

The rally was addressed among others by the Naperville Mayor Steve Chirico and other elected officials. Many community leaders also participated showing their

solidarity and expressing sympathy for the families of the martyrs. It was attended by over 1000 people including many non Indians.

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UNITED AGAINST TERROR PROTEST

Many Indian American Community organizations, including FIA among others, banded together to stage a peaceful demonstration against Pak abated terrorism on Indian soil. The demonstration is slated for

February 21 in Chicago downtown at 11-30. Huge number of anti terrorist activists would participate in this event showing their anger against terrorism in any part of the world. India Post will cover in detail the 'United We Stand against Terror' protest in its next edition.

Floral tribute to Martyrs at Gandhi Memorial

DALLAS, TX: Hundreds of Indian Americans gathered on February 16 with heavy hearts at Mahatma Gandhi Memorial to pay floral tribute to 40 Central Reserve Police Force soldiers who lost their lives in a heinous terrorist attack in Pulwama District in Jammu Kashmir, India on February 14.

MGMNT Chairman Dr. Prasad Thotakura said that "February 14 was the darkest day in Indian history." He condemned this barbaric cowardly act that killed innocent soldiers who dedicated their lives for the security of country. He expressed his deepest condolences to the bereaved families and prayed for speedy recovery of the injured.

Arun Agarwal, Indian American Friendship Council Advisory Board member along with Chairman Dr. Thotakura tweeted US Congress members and Senators about the incident. More than 50 policymakers responded in-

stantly condemning this monstrous act and expressed their deepest sympathies to the

against terrorism globally, unitedly.

All gathered NRIs observed



families who lost their lives and stated that it is time to fight

a two-minute silence in honor of the martyrs and paid floral

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tribute. MGMNT Board of Directors Rao Kalvala, BN Rao, John Hammond, Kamal Kaushal, Akram Syed, Community leaders Jack Godhwani, Shabnam Modgil, Swati Shah, Muzbur Rahman, Tanvir Arfi, Benajir, Hari Patro, Arun Agarwal etc., participated in this event.

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ation (HAF) observed that the latest attack by Jaish-e-Mohammed is sadly another example of how Pakistan's intelligence services continue to sponsor terrorist incursions into India. While it's heartening to see that a wide swath of the international community is unequivocally condemning the attack, such statements of solidarity must be backed up by actions which help bring to an end the ability of such terrorist groups to kill with impunity and destabilize the region, HAF added in a statement.

Since 1989, a militant insurgency by groups such as Jaish-e-Mohammed and Lashkar-e-Taiba supported by Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence agency has left thousands of Hindus dead, and has driven out from the Kashmir Valley more than 350,000 people from the Kashmiri Pandit community, many of whom continue to languish in refugee camps in Delhi and in Jammu region.