Congress sends condolences to Scout families

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WASHINGTON - Both houses of Congress are sending condolences and expressions of support to the families and friends of the Boy Scouts killed or injured when a tornado tore through an Iowa camp.

Four boys were killed and 48 people injured when the tornado struck June 11 at the Little Sioux Scout Ranch. The camp is near Little Sioux, Iowa, about 40 miles north of Omaha.

Killed were 14-year-old Aaron Eilerts of Eagle Grove, Iowa; and three boys from Omaha, 13-year-olds Josh Fennen and Sam Thomsen and 14-year-old Ben Petrzilka.

A spokeswoman for U.S. Rep. Lee Terry, R-Neb., said Wednesday that a resolution was passed by the House on Tuesday and the Senate on Monday.

The resolutions hailed the Scouts and their leaders for their heroism and courage.