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S. RES. 661

Designating the week of April 15 through April 21, 2024, as “National Osteopathic Medicine Week”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 23, 2024

Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HEINRICH, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. RISCH) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Designating the week of April 15 through April 21, 2024,
as “National Osteopathic Medicine Week”.

Whereas there are more than 148,000 osteopathic physicians and 38,000 osteopathic medical students in the United States ;

Whereas osteopathic physicians and medical students train at high-caliber schools of osteopathic medicine across the United States, including in rural communities;

Whereas osteopathic physicians have made significant contributions to the healthcare system of the United States since the founding of osteopathic medicine in 1892;

Whereas the number of osteopathic physicians in the United States has increased by more than 30 percent in the past 5 years;

Whereas osteopathic medicine emphasizes a whole-person, patient-centric approach to healthcare, and osteopathic physicians play an important role in the healthcare system of the United States;

Whereas osteopathic physicians play a critical role in public health preparedness and work on the front lines treating patients;

Whereas osteopathic physicians train and practice in all medical specialties and practice settings;

Whereas osteopathic physicians and medical students in the United States are dedicated to improving the health of their communities through efforts to increase education and awareness and by delivering high-quality health services; and

Whereas osteopathic physicians practice in every State: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates the week of April 15 through
3 April 21, 2024, as “National Osteopathic Medicine
4 Week”;

5 (2) recognizes the contributions of osteopathic
6 physicians to the healthcare system of the United
7 States; and

8 (3) celebrates the role that colleges of osteo-
9 pathic medicine play in training the next generation
10 of physicians.

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