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BENJAMIN L. “BEN” CARDIN, Democrat, of Baltimore, MD; born in Baltimore, October 5, 1943; education: graduated, City College High School, 1961; B.A., *cum laude*, University of Pittsburgh, 1964; L.L.B., 1st in class, University of Maryland School of Law, 1967; professional: attorney, Rosen and Esterson, 1967–78; elected to the Maryland House of Delegates in November 1966, served from 1967–87; Speaker of the House of Delegates, youngest Speaker at the time, 1979–87; elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in November 1986, Maryland 3rd Congressional District, served from 1987–2007; member: Associated Jewish Charities and Welfare Fund, 1985–89; trustee, Baltimore Council on Foreign Affairs, 1999–2007; trustee, Goucher College, 1999–2008; trustee, St. Mary’s College, 1988–99; lifetime member, NAACP, since 1990; Board of Visitors, University of Maryland Law School, 1998–present; President’s Board of Visitors, UMBC, 1993–present; Johns Hopkins University Institute for Policy Studies’ National Advisory Board, 2003–present; Board of Visitors, U.S. Naval Academy, 2007–present; Board of Trustees, The James Madison Memorial Fellowship, 2010–present; awards: Congressional Award, Small Business Council of America, 1993, 1999, 2005; Public Sector Distinguished Award, Tax Foundation, 2003; Congressional Voice for Children Award, National PTA, 2009; Congressional Leadership Award, American College of Emergency Physicians, 2010; Whitney M. Young Award, Baltimore Urban League, 2011; Chesapeake Conservation Hero, Chesapeake Conservancy, 2012; commissioner, Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), since 1993; co-chair, CSCE, 2007–08; chair, CSCE, 2009–10; co-chair, CSCE, 2011–13; chair, CSCE, 2013–14; ranking Senate Democrat, CSCE, 2018–present; vice president, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) Parliamentary Assembly, 2006–14; Special Representative on Anti-Semitism, Racism, and Intolerance for the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, 2015–present; member, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, 2018–present; religion: Jewish; married: Myrna Edelman of Baltimore, 1964; two children (one deceased); two grandchildren; committees: ranking member, Small Business and Entrepreneurship; Environment and Public Works; Finance; Foreign Relations; elected to the U.S. Senate on November 7, 2006; reelected to each succeeding Senate term.

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