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Recognizing and honoring Joe DiMaggio.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Moynihan (for himself, Mr. Lott, Mr. Daschle, Mr. Schumer, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Helms, and Mr. Bunning) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas Joseph Paul "Joe" DiMaggio was born in Martinez, California, on November 25, 1914;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio was the son of Sicilian immigrants, Joseph Paul and Rosalia DiMaggio, and was the 2d of 3 brothers to play Major League Baseball;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio played 13 seasons in the major leagues, all for the New York Yankees;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio, who wore number 5 in Yankee pinstripes, became a baseball icon in the 1941 season by hitting safely in 56 consecutive games, a major league record that has stood for more than 5 decades and has never been seriously challenged;

- Whereas Joe DiMaggio compiled a .325 batting average during his storied career and played on 9 World Series championship teams;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio hit 361 home runs during his career, while striking out only 369 times;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio was selected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1955, 4 years after his retirement;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio in 1969 was voted Major League Baseball's greatest living player;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio served the Nation in World War II as a member of the Army Air Corps;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio was tireless in helping others and was devoted to the "Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital" in Hollywood, Florida;
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio will be remembered as a role model for generations of young people; and
- Whereas Joe DiMaggio transcended baseball and will remain a symbol for the ages of talent, commitment, and achievement: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the Senate recognizes and honors Joe
 - 2 DiMaggio—
 - 3 (1) for his storied baseball career;
 - 4 (2) for his many contributions to the Nation
 - 5 throughout his lifetime; and
- 6 (3) for transcending baseball and becoming a
- 7 symbol for the ages of talent, commitment, and
- 8 achievement.