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Congratulating the National Institute of Nursing Research on the occasion
of its 25th anniversary.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted the following resolution;
which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the National Institute of Nursing Research
on the occasion of its 25th anniversary.

Whereas, in 1983, the Institute of Medicine recommended
that nursing research be included in biomedical and be-
havioral science research;

Whereas the Health Research Extension Act of 1985 (Public
Law 99-158; 99 Stat. 820) established the National Cen-
ter for Nursing Research (referred to in this preamble as
the “Center”) within the National Institutes of Health to
disseminate information related to basic and clinical
nursing research;

Whereas the National Center for Nursing Research excelled
in carrying out the purpose of the Center to provide re-
search training and fellowships in the areas of disease
prevention, health promotion, and nursing care for indi-

viduals with acute and chronic illnesses and the families of those individuals;

Whereas Congress, recognizing the contributions of the National Center for Nursing Research to improving quality care and health, redesignated the Center as the National Institute of Nursing Research (referred to in this preamble as the “NINR”) through the enactment of the National Institutes of Health Revitalization Act of 1993 (Public Law 103-43; 107 Stat. 122);

Whereas the research focus of the NINR for the 25 years prior to the approval of this resolution has resulted in advances in nursing science at all stages of the lifespan of an individual;

Whereas the mission of the NINR is to promote and improve the health of individuals, families, communities, and vulnerable populations of the United States;

Whereas the NINR views nursing science as the cornerstone for integrating biological and behavioral sciences, exploring innovations, and improving research methods;

Whereas research funded by the NINR has improved the health outcomes and enhanced the quality of life of the people of the United States by managing disease and relieving symptoms of disease;

Whereas the NINR is committed to helping to eliminate the health disparities facing minority and disadvantaged populations across the United States;

Whereas the NINR holds the principal responsibility for end-of-life research conducted at the National Institutes of Health; and

Whereas the NINR spends a remarkable 7 percent of the budget of the NINR on training new researchers, ensur-

ing that the number of nurse scientists and the faculty educating the next generation of professional nursing students continues to grow: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates the National Institute of
3 Nursing Research on the occasion of its 25th anni-
4 versary; and

5 (2) commends the National Institute of Nursing
6 Research for its ongoing support of nursing re-
7 search, which is integral to the health of the people
8 of the United States.

