112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. RES. 246

Recognizing and commending the 2011 National Veterans Wheelchair Games, to be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania August 1 through August 6, 2011.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 30, 2011

Mr. Casey (for himself and Mr. Toomey) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

- Recognizing and commending the 2011 National Veterans Wheelchair Games, to be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania August 1 through August 6, 2011.
- Whereas the National Veterans Wheelchair Games are a multi-event sports and rehabilitation program for veterans who use wheelchairs for sports competition due to spinal cord injuries, amputations, or neurological problems;
- Whereas the National Veterans Wheelchair Games is the largest annual wheelchair sporting event in the world, attracting roughly 600 athletes annually;
- Whereas in 2011, the National Veterans Wheelchair Games will be held August 1 through August 6, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania;

Whereas competitive events at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games include table tennis, archery, swimming, quad rugby, weightlifting, air guns, nine-ball, basketball, softball, bowling, handcycling, power soccer, trapshooting, Super "6" slalom, a motorized wheelchair rally, and track and field events;

Whereas the National Veterans Wheelchair Games provide veterans with disabilities the opportunity to enhance their quality of life and promote better health through sports competition; and

Whereas past National Veterans Wheelchair Games have produced national and world-class champions and given newly disabled veterans, including veterans who have served in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, a chance to participate in events with other wheelchair athletes and to continue to use their athletic skills in competition: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate—

- 2 (1) recognizes the significant contribution that 3 the National Veterans Wheelchair Games make to 4 the lives of disabled veterans who have selflessly 5 served the United States; and
 - (2) commends the organizers and volunteers of and the participants in the 2011 National Veterans Wheelchair Games for their efforts in service of the United States.

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