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Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the United States Chamber of
Commerce.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. McCONNELL (for himself, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Chambliss, Ms. Collins, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Moran, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, and Mr. Johanns) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the United States
Chamber of Commerce.

Whereas the United States Chamber of Commerce (referred to in this preamble as the “Chamber”) was founded on April 22, 1912, at the request of President William Howard Taft, thereby creating a unified voice for business in the United States;

Whereas, on that date, President Taft supported the creation of the Chamber by declaring before 700 delegates from businesses, chambers, and associations representing every State, “We want your assistance in carrying on the government in reference to those matters that affect the

business and the business welfare of the country, and we do not wish to limit your discretion in that matter. We wish that your advice should be as free and unrestricted as possible, but we need your assistance and we ask for it.”;

Whereas, during the 100 years since its founding, the Chamber has represented and advocated the interests of the business community in Washington, DC, across the United States, and around the world;

Whereas the Chamber continues to give voice to business in the United States and rally the business community around policies that create jobs and grow the economy;

Whereas the Chamber is committed to preserving and advancing free market principles and the free enterprise system of the United States, which has created growth, opportunities, innovation, and jobs, and has empowered generations of individuals in the United States to fulfill the American dream;

Whereas, for a century, the Chamber has played an instrumental role in major pieces of legislation on trade, infrastructure, energy, and a host of other issues integral to generating economic growth, supporting the business community, and creating jobs in the United States; and

Whereas, for the next 100 years, and well beyond, the Chamber will continue to work to restore and strengthen the prosperity and competitiveness of the United States and will continue to represent the interests of businesses in the United States of every size, sector, and region before Congress, the executive branch, the courts, and the court of public opinion: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate congratulates the United
- 2 States Chamber of Commerce on its 100th anniversary.

