

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 36

Recognizing February 19, 2013 as the centennial of Mosaic, a faith-based organization that was founded in Nebraska and now serves more than 3,600 individuals with intellectual disabilities in 10 States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 14, 2013

Mr. JOHANNIS (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Recognizing February 19, 2013 as the centennial of Mosaic, a faith-based organization that was founded in Nebraska and now serves more than 3,600 individuals with intellectual disabilities in 10 States.

Whereas the roots of Mosaic, a faith-based organization that serves individuals with intellectual disabilities, trace back to the commitment of a Nebraskan to ensure that individuals with disabilities were cared for and inspired by a loving community;

Whereas, on February 19, 1913, a Nebraska pastor, the Reverend K.G. William Dahl, founded Bethphage Inner Mission Association (referred to in this preamble as “Bethphage”) in Axtell, Nebraska as a ministry for individuals with intellectual disabilities;

Whereas, on October 20, 1925, a school endeavoring to create opportunities for children with disabilities took root in Sterling, Nebraska when the Reverends Julius Moehl, August Hoeger, and William Fruehling, and laymen John Aden and William Ehmen, established Martin Luther Home Society, which later became known as Martin Luther Homes;

Whereas, with the increasing need for community-based programs for individuals with disabilities in the 1970s and 1980s, both Bethphage and Martin Luther Homes grew into ministries that served locations across the United States;

Whereas the shared vision and mission of the 2 Nebraska-born ministries, to care for the most vulnerable individuals, laid the foundation for the formation of a powerful partnership;

Whereas, on July 1, 2003, Mosaic was officially established through a consolidation of Bethphage and Martin Luther Homes; and

Whereas Mosaic has created a legacy of love, providing individualized support to thousands of individuals in the United States and extending its work beyond the borders of the United States through an international alliance: Now therefore be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) recognizes February 19, 2013 as the cen-
3 tennial of Mosaic;

4 (2) recognizes the important and valuable con-
5 tributions that individuals with intellectual disabil-
6 ities make in their communities;

1 (3) celebrates the integral role that Mosaic has
2 played in the growth and success of individuals with
3 intellectual disabilities; and

4 (4) congratulates the men and women who have
5 touched countless lives by contributing to the mis-
6 sion of Mosaic to create a life of possibilities for in-
7 dividuals with intellectual disabilities.

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