

Whereas the Transitional Federal Government is incapable of meeting the fundamental needs of all people of Somalia, including—

- (1) education;
- (2) health care; and
- (3) other essential services;

Whereas the 2005 Human Rights Report published by the Department of State cites significant concerns relating to abuses of human rights in Somalia, including—

- (1) female genital mutilation;
- (2) rape; and
- (3) political violence;

Whereas the Federal Government has provided \$476,000,000 for humanitarian assistance activities since 1990, although a majority of those funds were distributed during the early 1990s;

Whereas it is the desire of the United States that the people of Somalia live peaceful, stable, prosperous, and happy lives;

Whereas the United States has historically supported the aspirations of the people of Somalia; and

Whereas the compassion of the citizens of the United States extends across the world to embrace every member of the human family: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) the United States is working with the people of Somalia to build a stable and enduring democratic nation in the Horn of Africa that is prosperous and free of civil war;

(2) to achieve long-lasting peace in the region, the nascent leadership and governance structures of Somalia must—

(A) commit themselves to the principles of democracy and the rule of law; and

(B) pledge to hold popular elections as soon as Somalia has stabilized;

(3) the nascent Transitional Federal Government for Somalia should—

(A) organize itself in 1 city as soon as practicable to—

(i) promote national unity; and

(ii) begin the process of reentering the international community; and

(B) delay the consideration of the delicate issue regarding the Republic of Somaliland until an appropriate level of stability has been achieved in Somalia, while understanding the critical importance of that issue for establishing a peaceful Somalia;

(4) the President should—

(A) commend the efforts of those that have worked to restore a functioning and internationally recognized government in Somalia, including—

(i) the people of Somalia and their representatives;

(ii) the African Union;

(iii) the Intergovernmental Authority on Development;

(iv) friendly countries from the continent of Africa; and

(v) nongovernmental organizations;

(B) through the Secretary of State, develop a comprehensive interagency stabilization and reconstruction strategy that—

(i) aligns humanitarian, developmental, economic, political, counterterrorism, and regional strategies;

(ii) achieves the objectives of the United States in Somalia in coordination with the international donor community; and

(iii) orients current and future programs to meet the objectives described in clause (ii);

(C) appoint a special envoy to Somalia to—

(i) help guide and inform United States policy and interests in the region; and

(ii) serve as a liaison between—

(I) the United States;

(II) nascent Somali governance institutions;

(III) the international donor community; and

(IV) the region;

(D) instruct the United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations to request that the Security Council take additional measures to—

(i) evaluate the effectiveness of the existing arms embargo on Somalia; and

(ii) develop an improved plan to monitor and protect the vast land and maritime borders of Somalia from—

(I) smuggling;

(II) dumping; and

(III) piracy; and

(E) through the Secretaries of State and the Treasury, work with international financial institutions to incrementally reduce the crippling international debt of Somalia on the condition that Somalia upholds democratic and free market principles;

(5) the United States Agency for International Development should increase the assistance that the Agency provides to the Transitional Federal Government to rebuild the national infrastructure of Somalia, and place particular emphasis on the promotion of the governmental institutions of Somalia;

(6) the United States should provide training and support to the Transitional National Government of Somalia to—

(A) fight terrorism and extremism; and

(B) strengthen the civil society and grassroots efforts in Somalia that will deny terrorist and extremist groups a fertile ground for recruitment in that country;

(7) the United States, in partnership with the United Nations and the international donor community, must—

(A) heed the calls concerning the significant drought affecting the region that have been placed by—

(i) the United Nations Coordinator for Humanitarian Assistance;

(ii) the international community of nongovernmental organizations; and

(iii) regional governments;

(B) provide sufficient humanitarian assistance to those impacted by the drought; and

(C) realize that a failure to address the humanitarian emergency could have a negative impact on fragile political developments; and

(8) not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this resolution, the Secretary of State should present to Congress a status report on items referred to in paragraphs (4) through (8) that includes—

(A) a projection of future challenges regarding Somalia; and

(B) resource requirements that could foreseeably be needed to continue to support the transition of Somalia to a peaceful and democratic country.

SENATE RESOLUTION 461—SUPPORTING AND COMMENDING THE SUPPORTERS OF THE JEFFERSON AWARDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE FOR ENCOURAGING ALL CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES TO EMBARK ON A LIFE OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND RECOGNIZING THOSE CITIZENS WHO HAVE ALREADY PERFORMED EXTRAORDINARY DEEDS FOR THEIR COMMUNITY AND COUNTRY

Mr. LOTT (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. BIDEN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 461

Whereas one of the defining traditions of the democracy of the United States is that each person can make a difference;

Whereas the value of public and community service was a founding principle of the Government of the United States;

Whereas, for generation after generation, the citizens of the United States have desired to pass to the youth of the Nation the tradition of neighbors helping neighbors through—

- (1) local community service;
- (2) volunteerism; and
- (3) public service;

Whereas, to build stronger communities, the youth of the United States should be inspired to seek career opportunities in—

- (1) the public sector;
- (2) the nonprofit sector;
- (3) the faith-based community; and
- (4) Federal, State, and local governments;

Whereas the Jefferson Awards for Public Service are a prestigious national recognition system that was created on a non-partisan basis in 1972 by—

- (1) Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis;
- (2) Senator Robert Taft, Jr.; and
- (3) Sam Beard;

Whereas the creators of the Jefferson Awards for Public Service sought to create an award similar to the Nobel Prize to encourage and honor individuals for their achievements and contributions in public and community service;

Whereas, for over 30 years, the supporters of the Jefferson Awards for Public Service have pioneered the promotion of civic engagement by using profiles of individual excellence, the media, and modern technology to attract and recruit all citizens of the United States to participate in the democratic processes of the Nation; and

Whereas the Jefferson Awards for Public Service have honored award recipients at—

(1) the national level, by placing the recipients on a "Who's Who" list of outstanding citizens of the United States; and

(2) the local level, by naming the recipients "Unsung Heroes" who accomplish extraordinary deeds for the betterment of the United States while going largely unnoticed: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) fully supports the goals and ideals that the creators instilled into the civic engagement initiatives of the Jefferson Awards for Public Service; and

(2) salutes and acknowledges the American Institute for Public Service and the role played by the Jefferson Awards for Public Service in promoting public service in the United States.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 92—ENCOURAGING ALL 50 STATES TO RECOGNIZE AND ACCOMMODATE THE RELEASE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS FROM SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TO ATTEND OFF-CAMPUS RELIGIOUS CLASSES AT THEIR CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES, HOUSES OF WORSHIP, AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. DEMINT submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. CON. RES. 92

Whereas the free exercise of religion is an inherent, fundamental, and inalienable right secured by the 1st amendment to the Constitution of the United States;

Whereas the free exercise of religion is important to the intellectual, moral, civic, and ethical development of students in the United States;

Whereas the free exercise of religion must be conducted in a constitutionally appropriate manner;

Whereas, in *Zorach v. Clauson*, 343 U.S. 306 (1952), the United States Supreme Court held that a statute that provides for the release of public school pupils from school attendance to attend religious classes is constitutional if—

(1) the programs take place away from school grounds;

(2) school officials do not promote attendance at religious classes; and

(3) the solicitation of students to attend is not done at the expense of public schools; and

Whereas the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the States allow the school districts of the States to release public school pupils from school attendance to attend religious classes: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—

(1) calls on all 50 States to recognize and accommodate those churches, faith-based organizations, and individuals that wish to release public school pupils from school attendance to attend religious classes; and

(2) respectfully requests the President of the United States to proclaim the third week of November 2006 as “Bible Education in School Time Week”.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3825. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3627 submitted by Mr. VITTER to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3826. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3827. Mr. KOHL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3776 submitted by Mr. KOHL and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3828. Mr. KOHL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3776 submitted by Mr. KOHL and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3829. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3635 submitted by Mr. ALLEN (for himself and Mr. BURR) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3830. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3831. Mrs. HUTCHISON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3832. Mrs. HUTCHISON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3833. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3834. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3835. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment

SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3836. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3837. Mr. HARKIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3714 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for Mr. HARKIN) to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3838. Mr. KOHL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3839. Mr. KOHL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3840. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3841. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3842. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3843. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3844. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3845. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3846. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3847. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3848. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3849. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3688 submitted by Mr. KENNEDY to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3850. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. KYL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mrs. BOXER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3665 proposed by Mr. WYDEN to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3851. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3593 submitted by Ms. LANDRIEU and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3852. Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. CANTWELL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3853. Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. KENNEDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3854. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3816 submitted by Mrs. BOXER and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3855. Mr. BIDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3717 submitted by Mr. BIDEN and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3856. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3700 submitted by Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. STEVENS) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3857. Mr. JEFFORDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3613 submitted by Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. DAYTON) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4939, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3858. Mr. ENSIGN (for Mr. MCCAIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1003, to amend the Act of December 22, 1974, and for other purposes.

SA 3859. Mr. ENSIGN (for Mr. MCCAIN) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 3858 proposed by Mr. ENSIGN (for Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill S. 1003, supra.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 3825. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3627 submitted by Mr. VITTER to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of the amendment, add the following:

(c) The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) shall be effective for the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on October 1, 2008.

SA 3826. Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 229, strike lines 5 through 14.