

Whereas the Lady Knights made school history as the first athletic team from Rutgers University to play for any national championship;

Whereas, during the 3 weeks of the tournament, the Lady Knights brought excitement to the NCAA tournament and captured the hearts of basketball fans throughout New Jersey and across the Nation;

Whereas Rutgers students, alumni, faculty, and staff, along with countless New Jerseyans are immensely proud of what the Lady Knights accomplished during the season;

Whereas the members of the team are excellent representatives of Rutgers University and of the State of New Jersey;

Whereas the young women of the Lady Knights are outstanding individuals who are striving to reach lifetime goals both on and off the basketball court;

Whereas the Lady Knights epitomize the term "student-athlete" with a combined B+ grade point average;

Whereas by excelling in academics, music, and community service, Katie Adams, Matee Ajavon, Essence Carson, Dee Dee Jernigan, Rashidat Junaid, Myia McCurdy, Epiphanny Prince, Judith Brittany Ray, Kia Vaughn, and Heather Zurich are great role models for young women across the Nation; and

Whereas the Lady Knights embody integrity, leadership, and class: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) commends the amazing performance of Rutgers University women's basketball team in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament; and

(2) expresses its admiration for the achievements and character of this team of remarkable young women.

SENATE RESOLUTION 157—EXTENDING THE BEST WISHES OF THE SENATE TO NEW JERSEY GOVERNOR JON S. CORZINE AND EXPRESSING THE SENATE'S HOPE FOR HIS SPEEDY AND COMPLETE RECOVERY

Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURR, Mr. BYRD, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DODD, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr.

SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 157

Whereas The Honorable Jon S. Corzine, the Governor of the State of New Jersey, served with distinction in the United States Senate from January 3, 2001, to January 17, 2006;

Whereas, during his time in the Senate, Governor Corzine made many friends in both political parties;

Whereas, on April 12, 2007, Governor Corzine was seriously injured in a major traffic accident;

Whereas Governor Corzine is in critical but stable condition in the Trauma Intensive Care Unit at Cooper University Hospital in Camden, New Jersey; and

Whereas Governor Corzine's many friends in the Senate are deeply concerned about the Governor and have had him in their thoughts since the tragic accident occurred: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate extends its best wishes to New Jersey Governor Jon S. Corzine and hopes for his speedy and complete recovery.

SENATE RESOLUTION 158—DESIGNATING APRIL 20, 2007, AS "NATIONAL AND GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY"

Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BAYH, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. DODD, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. STEVENS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 158

Whereas National and Global Youth Service Day is an annual public awareness and education campaign that highlights the valuable contributions that young people make to their communities;

Whereas the goals of National and Global Youth Service Day are to—

(1) mobilize the youth of the United States to identify and address the needs of their communities through service and service-learning;

(2) support young people in embarking on a lifelong path of service and civic engagement; and

(3) educate the public, the media, and policymakers about contributions made by young people as community leaders throughout the year;

Whereas National and Global Youth Service Day, a program of Youth Service America, is the largest service event in the world and is being observed for the 19th consecutive year in 2007;

Whereas young people in the United States and in many other countries are volunteering more than in any other generation in history;

Whereas children and youth not only represent the future of the world, but also are leaders and assets today;

Whereas children and youth should be valued for the idealism, energy, creativity, and unique perspectives that they use when addressing real-world issues such as poverty, hunger, illiteracy, education, gang activity, natural disasters, climate change, and myriad other issues;

Whereas a fundamental and conclusive correlation exists between youth service and lifelong adult volunteering and philanthropy;

Whereas, through community service, young people of all ages and backgrounds build character and learn valuable skills sought by employers, including time management, decisionmaking, teamwork, needs-assessment, and leadership;

Whereas service-learning is a teaching and learning strategy that integrates meaningful community service with academic curriculum;

Whereas service-learning supports young people in mastering important curriculum content by helping them make meaningful connections between what they are studying and the challenges that they see in their own communities;

Whereas high quality service-learning has been found to increase student academic engagement, academic achievement scores, civic engagement, character development, and career aspirations;

Whereas a report by Civic Enterprises found that 47 percent of high school dropouts reported boredom as a primary reason for dropping out;

Whereas service-learning has been found to increase students' cognitive engagement, motivation to learn, and school attendance;

Whereas several private foundations and corporations in the United States support service-learning as a means to develop the leadership and workforce skills necessary for the competitiveness of the United States in the 21st century;

Whereas a report by America's Promise found that 94 percent of young people want to be involved in making the world a better place, but 50 percent say there should be more volunteer programs for people their age;

Whereas the same report found that one-third of young people say they lack adult role models who volunteer and help others;

Whereas a sustained investment by the Federal Government, business partners, schools, and communities could fuel the positive, long-term cultural change that will make service and service-learning a common expectation and a common experience for all young people;

Whereas National and Global Youth Service Day engages millions of young people worldwide with the support of 51 lead agencies, 40 international organizations, and 110 national partners;

Whereas National Youth Service Day inspired Global Youth Service Day, which occurs concurrently in more than 100 countries and is now in its 8th year;

Whereas a growing number of Global Youth Service Day projects involve youth working collaboratively across national and geographic boundaries, increasing intercultural understanding and promoting the sense that they are global citizens; and

Whereas both young people and their communities will benefit greatly from expanded opportunities to engage youth in meaningful volunteer service and service-learning: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes and commends the significant contributions of the youth of the United States and encourages the cultivation of a common civic bond between young people dedicated to serving their neighbors, their communities, and the Nation;

(2) designates April 20, 2007, as “National and Global Youth Service Day”; and

(3) calls on the people of the United States to—

(A) observe the day by encouraging youth to participate in civic and community service projects and by joining them in such projects;

(B) recognize the volunteer efforts of the young people of the United States throughout the year; and

(C) support the volunteer efforts of young people and engage them in meaningful learning and decisionmaking opportunities today as an investment in the future of the United States.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 159—COMMENDING THE ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCED LIFE UNDERWRITING ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. CONRAD) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 159

Whereas, for 50 years, Association for Advanced Life Underwriting members have been increasingly strong advocates for advanced life insurance planning and its benefits to millions of Americans;

Whereas, the Association for Advanced Life Underwriting has helped educate Congress and the country about the trillions of dollars of protection, savings, and capital and millions of jobs provided by life insurance products;

Whereas, Association for Advanced Life Underwriting members have helped Americans with long-term estate, business, pension, and deferred compensation planning;

Whereas, Association for Advanced Life Underwriting members have been very active participants in our democracy, particularly at the Federal or congressional level, providing their real life, market-based expertise on issues involving life insurance;

Whereas, the Association for Advanced Life Underwriting has provided technical assistance on a variety of life insurance-related matters to the Department of the Treasury, the Internal Revenue Service, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Department of Labor, and the Financial Accounting Standards Board;

Whereas, the Association for Advanced Life Underwriting has advocated in both the Federal and State legislatures for reforms needed to assure that life insurance is used appropriately for the benefit of clients and the general public;

Whereas, the Association for Advanced Life Underwriting has worked to unify the life insurance industry to better advocate in the interests of the American public; and

Whereas, the Association for Advanced Life Underwriting has worked to reflect the high level of commitment, principles, and expertise of its members and leaders: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That—

(1) the Association for Advanced Life Underwriting is congratulated on its 50th anniversary; and

(2) the Association for Advanced Life Underwriting is wished continued success during its next 50 years.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 160—RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK ON THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE ACT THAT AUTHORIZED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF HOT SPRINGS RESERVATION**

Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Mr. PRYOR) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 160

Whereas, in 1803, the 47 hot springs that eventually received protection under the first section of the Act of April 20, 1832 (4 Stat. 505, chapter 70) formally became the property of the United States as part of the Louisiana Purchase;

Whereas, with the establishment of the Hot Springs Reservation, the concept in the United States of setting aside a nationally significant place for the future enjoyment of the citizens of the United States was first carried out 175 years ago in Hot Springs, Arkansas;

Whereas the Hot Springs Reservation protected 47 hot springs in the area of Hot Springs, Arkansas;

Whereas, in the first section of the Act of April 20, 1832 (4 Stat. 505, chapter 70), Congress required that “the hot springs in said territory, together with four sections of land, including said springs, as near the centre thereof as may be, shall be reserved for the future disposal of the United States, and shall not be entered, located, or appropriated, for any other purpose whatever”;

Whereas the Hot Springs Reservation was the first protected area in the United States;

Whereas the Act that authorized the establishment of the Hot Springs Reservation was enacted before the establishment of the Department of the Interior in 1849, and before the establishment of Yellowstone National Park as the first national park of the United States in 1872;

Whereas, in 1921, the Hot Springs Reservation was renamed “Hot Springs National Park” and became the 18th national park of the United States; and

Whereas the tradition of preservation and conservation that inspired the development of the National Park System, which now includes 390 units, began with the Act that authorized the establishment of the Hot Springs Reservation: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That on 175th anniversary of the Act of Congress that authorized the establishment of the Hot Springs Reservation, the Senate recognizes the important contributions of the Hot Springs Reservation and the Hot Springs National Park to the history of conservation in the United States.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 161—HONORING THE LIFE OF OLIVER WHITE HILL, A PIONEER IN THE FIELD OF AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS LAW, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY**

Mr. WEBB (for himself and Mr. WARNER) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 161

Whereas Oliver White Hill was born on May 1, 1907, in Richmond, Virginia, moved with his family to Roanoke, Virginia, and graduated from Dunbar High School in Washington, DC;

Whereas Mr. Hill earned his undergraduate degree from Howard University and received

a law degree from Howard University School of Law in 1933, graduating second in his class behind valedictorian and future Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall;

Whereas, in 1934, Mr. Hill became a member of the Virginia Bar and began his law practice in Roanoke, Virginia, and continued in Richmond, Virginia, in 1939, leading the Virginia legal team of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) from 1940 to 1961 and serving as one of the principal attorneys on the historic *Brown v. Board of Education* case in 1954;

Whereas Mr. Hill interrupted his law practice to serve in the United States Armed Forces from 1943 to 1945, and was later appointed by President Harry S. Truman to a committee to study racism in the United States;

Whereas, in 1948, Mr. Hill became the first African-American elected to the Richmond, Virginia, City Council since Reconstruction, and later served in appointed capacities with the Federal Housing Administration and the then-newly-created Department of Housing and Urban Development;

Whereas Mr. Hill served as legal counsel in many of the Nation’s most important civil rights cases concerning equal opportunity in education, employment, housing, transportation, and the justice system;

Whereas Mr. Hill has remained actively engaged with civic enterprises at the community, State, national, and international levels, and earned numerous accolades and awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President William Jefferson Clinton in 1999; the NAACP Spingarn Medal in 2005; and the dedication of a building on the grounds of the Virginia State Capitol in his honor by the Commonwealth of Virginia in 2005; and

Whereas Mr. Hill served as a mentor to generations of attorneys, activists, and public servants: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate honors the life and legacy of Oliver White Hill, a pioneer in the field of American civil rights law, on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 28—CONGRATULATING THE CITY OF CHICAGO FOR BEING CHOSEN TO REPRESENT THE UNITED STATES IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION TO HOST THE 2016 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES, AND ENCOURAGING THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE TO SELECT CHICAGO AS THE SITE OF THE 2016 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES**

Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. STEVENS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. CON. RES. 28

Whereas the City of Chicago has been selected by the United States Olympic Committee to represent the United States in its bid to host the 2016 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games;

Whereas, by 2016, 20 years will have passed since the Summer Olympics were held in a city in the United States;

Whereas Chicago is a world-class city with remarkable diversity, culture, history, and people;

Whereas the citizens of Chicago take great pride in all aspects of their city and have a deep love for sports;