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## Senate

The fifth day of January being the day prescribed by Public Law 111-289 for the meeting of the 1st Session of the 112th Congress, the Senate assembled in its Chamber at the Capitol and at 12:04 p.m. was called to order by the Vice President (Mr. BIDEN).

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Almighty God, who has placed us here and gives us work to do at the opening of the 112th Congress, we pause to thank You for sustaining this Nation from generation to generation, in prosperity and in adversity. We praise You for this new year with its new horizons, fresh challenges, and high duties.

May the solemn induction of some of our lawmakers become the renewal of vows for all. Give our Senators the wisdom to exert their best efforts for the security of this land we love. In the words of the prophet Micah, may they do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with You. Join them in heart, mind, and soul to build a better world.

Lord, guide by Your high wisdom the President, the Vice President, the Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, that they may ever seek to know and do Your will.

We pray in Your sovereign Name. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The VICE PRESIDENT led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair lays before the Senate one certificate of election to fulfill an unexpired term and the certificates of election for 34 Senators elected for 6-year terms be-

ginning January 3, 2011. All certificates, the Chair is advised, are in the form suggested by the Senate or contain all essential requirements of the form suggested by the Senate. If there is no objection, the reading of the certificates will be waived and they will be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the Record, as follows:

#### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

##### Executive Department

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the second day of November, two thousand and ten Kelly Ayotte was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of New Hampshire to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years beginning on the third day of January, two thousand and eleven.

Witness, His Excellency, Governor John H. Lynch and the Seal of State of New Hampshire hereto affixed at Concord, this seventeenth day of November, in the year of Our Lord two thousand and ten.

JOHN H. LYNCH,  
Governor.

By the Governor, with advice of the Council:

WILLIAM M. GARDNER,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF COLORADO

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the Second day of November, 2010, Michael F. Bennet was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Colorado a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the Third day of January, 2011.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor Bill Ritter, Jr., and our seal hereto affixed at Denver, Colorado this Ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

BILL RITTER, JR.,  
Governor.  
BERNIE BUESCHER,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF CONNECTICUT

##### Executive Department

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to Certify that on the second day of November, two thousand and ten Richard Blumenthal was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Connecticut Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January two thousand and eleven.

Witness: Her Excellency our Governor; M. Jodi Rell and our seal hereto affixed at Hartford, this twenty-fourth day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand ten.

M. JODI RELL,  
Governor.  
SUSAN BYSIEWICZ,  
Secretary of the State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF MISSOURI

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Roy Blunt was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Missouri a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, and our seal hereto affixed at the City of Jefferson this 1st day of December, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

JEREMIAH W. (JAY) NIXON,  
Governor.  
ROBIN CARNAHAN,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ARKANSAS

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

Know Ye, That Whereas, It appears that John Boozman was duly elected to the U.S. Senate, in and for the State of Arkansas at an election held on the second day of November, Two Thousand Ten.

Therefore, I, Mike Beebe, Governor of the State of Arkansas in the name and by authority of the people of the State of Arkansas, vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of said State do hereby certify that

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.



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John Boozman was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Arkansas to the office of U.S. Senate in and for the State of Arkansas for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor Mike Beebe, and our seal hereto affixed at Little Rock, Arkansas this 3rd day of December, in the year of our Lord 2010.

MIKE BEEBE,  
Governor.  
CHARLIE DANIELS,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
Executive Department

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Barbara Boxer was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of California as a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 15th day of December, 2010.

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER,  
Governor of California.

Attest:

DEBRA BOWEN,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Richard Burr was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of North Carolina, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State, at the Capital City of Raleigh, this the 8th day of December, 2010.

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE,  
Governor.  
ELAINE F. MARSHALL,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF INDIANA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR A SIX-YEAR TERM

Be it known by these presents:

Whereas, according to certified statements submitted by the Circuit Court Clerks of the several counties to the Election Division of the Office of the Secretary of State of Indiana, and based upon the tabulation of those statements performed by the Election Division, the canvass prepared by the Election Division states that at the General Election conducted on the second day of November, 2010, the electors chose Dan Coats to serve the People of the State of Indiana as United States Senator from Indiana

Now therefore, in the name of and by the authority of the State of Indiana, I certify the following in accordance with Title 2 United States Code Section 1:

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the second day of November 2010, Dan Coats was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Indiana a Senator from said State to represent

said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our Governor Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr, and our seal hereto affixed at Indianapolis, this the twenty-second day of November, in the year, 2010,

By the Governor:

M. E. DANIELS, Jr.,  
Governor.

Attest:

TODD ROKITA,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Office of the Secretary of State  
CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Tom Coburn was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Oklahoma a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning of the 3d day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our Governor Brad Henry, and our seal hereto affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma this 18th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

BRAD HENRY,  
Governor.  
M. SUSAN SAVAGE,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF IDAHO

Office of the Secretary of State  
CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Mike Crapo was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Oklahoma a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning of the 3d day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter, and our seal hereto affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma this 17th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER,  
Governor.  
BEN YSURSA,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

By His Excellency

The Governor and Commander-In-Chief in and Over the State Aforesaid

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the Second Day of November, 2010, A.D. James W. DeMint was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of South Carolina, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the Third Day of January 2011.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor, Mark Sanford, and our Seal hereto affixed at Columbia, South Carolina this Seventeenth Day of November, in the Year of Our Lord, 2010.

MARK SANFORD,  
Governor.  
MARK HAMMOND,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF NEW YORK  
Executive Chamber

*To the President of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the second day of November, two thousand ten, Kirsten Gillibrand was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of New York a Senator for the unexpired term ending at noon on the third day of January, 2013, to fill the vacancy in the representation of such State in the Senate of the United States caused by the resignation of Hillary Rodham Clinton upon her appointment as Secretary of State.

Witness: His excellency our Governor David A. Paterson and our seal hereto affixed at Albany, New York this seventeenth day of December in the year two thousand ten.

By the Governor:

DAVID A. PATERSON,  
Governor.  
RUTH NOEMI COLON,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF IOWA  
Executive Department

In The Name and By The Authority of The State of Iowa

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION TO THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November 2010, Chuck Grassley was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Iowa a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January 2011.

Witness: His excellency our Governor Chester J. Culver, and our seal hereto affixed at Des Moines this 29th day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand ten.

CHESTER J. CULVER,  
Governor of Iowa.

Attest:

MICHAEL A. MAURO,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November 2010, John Hoeven was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of North Dakota to represent North Dakota in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January 2011.

In witness whereof, we have set our hands at the Capitol City of Bismarck this 16th day of November 2010, and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Dakota.

JOHN HOEVEN,  
Governor.  
ALVIN A. JAEGER,  
Secretary of State.  
PENNY MILLER,  
State Canvassing Board.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF HAWAII

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the second day of November, 2010, Daniel K. Inouye was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Hawaii a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United

States for the term of six years, beginning at noon on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness, Her excellency our governor, Linda Lingle, and our seal hereto affixed at Honolulu this 22nd day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the governor:

LINDA LINGLE,  
Governor.  
SCOTT T. NAGO,  
Chief Election Officer.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF GEORGIA

By his Excellency Sonny Perdue, Governor of said state

To the honorable Johnny Isakson Greetings:

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Johnny Isakson was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Georgia, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate by the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our Governor Sonny Perdue, and the Great Seal of the State of Georgia hereto affixed at the Capitol, in the city of Atlanta, the ninth day of November, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Ten.

By the Governor,

SONNY PERDUE,  
Governor.  
BRIAN P. KEMP,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF WISCONSIN

##### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd of November, 2010, Ron Johnson was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Wisconsin a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor Jim Doyle, and our seal hereto affixed at Madison this 2nd day of December 2010.

By the Governor:

JIM DOYLE,  
Governor.  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ILLINOIS

##### Executive Department

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to Certify that on the Second day of November, Two Thousand and Ten, Mark Steven Kirk was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Illinois a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Witness: His Excellency Our Governor, Pat Quinn, and our seal hereto affixed at the City of Springfield, Illinois, this Third day of December, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Ten.

By the Governor:

PAT QUINN,  
Governor.  
JESSE WHITE,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF VERMONT

##### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Patrick Leahy was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Vermont a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor, James H. Douglas, and our seal hereto affixed at Montpelier this 12th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

JAMES H. DOUGLAS,  
Governor.  
DAVID M. CORIELL,  
Secretary of Civil and  
Military Affairs.  
DEBORAH L. MARKOWITZ,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF UTAH

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the second day of November, 2010, Mike Lee was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Utah a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd of January 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor Gary R. Herbert, and our seal hereto affixed at Salt Lake city, this 22nd day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

GARY R. HERBERT,  
Governor.  
GREG BELL,  
Lieutenant Governor.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ARIZONA

##### Department of State

##### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November 2010, John McCain was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Arizona a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning the 3rd Day of January 2011.

Witness: Her excellency the Governor of Arizona, and the Great Seal of the State of Arizona hereto affixed at the Capitol in Phoenix this 29th day of November 2010.

JANICE K. BREWER,  
Governor.  
KEN BENNETT,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF MARYLAND

##### Executive Department

##### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Barbara A. Mikulski was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Maryland a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3d day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor Martin O'Malley, and our seal hereto affixed at Annapolis, Maryland this 7th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the governor:

MARTIN O'MALLEY,  
Governor.

Attest:

JOHN P. McDONOUGH,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF KANSAS

##### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Jerry Moran was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the state of Kansas, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor Mark Parkinson, and our seal hereto affixed at Topeka, Kansas this 29th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the governor:

MARK PARKINSON,  
Governor.  
CHRIS BIGGS,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ALASKA

##### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Lisa Murkowski was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the state of Alaska a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor Sean R. Parnell, and our seal hereto affixed at Juneau this 30th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

SEAN R. PARNELL,  
Governor.

By the Lieutenant Governor:

MEAD TREADWELL,  
Lieutenant Governor.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF WASHINGTON

##### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to Certify that at the General Election held in the State of Washington on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Patty Murray was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Washington as United States Senator from the state of Washington to represent the state of Washington in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: Her excellency our Governor Christine Gregoire, and our seal hereto affixed at Olympia, Washington this 2nd day of December, 2010.

By the Governor:

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE,  
Governor.

Attest:

SAM REED,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

*To all to Whom These Presents shall Come, Greeting:*

Know Ye That Honorable Rand Paul having been duly certified, that on November 2, 2010 was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Kentucky a Senator from said state to represent said state in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning the 3rd day of January 2011.

I hereby invest the above named with full power and authority to execute and discharge the duties of the said office according to law. And to have and to hold the same, with all the rights and emoluments thereunto legally appertaining, for and during the term prescribed by law.

In testimony whereof, I have caused these letters to be made patent, and the seal of the Commonwealth to be hereunto affixed. Done at Frankfort, the 23rd day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten and in the 219th year of the Commonwealth,

By the Governor:

STEVEN L. BESHEAR,  
Governor.

TREY GRAYSON,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF OHIO

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
U.S. Senator

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November 2010, Rob Portman was duly elected by the qualified electors of the State of Ohio as the Senator from said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2011.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the great seal of the State of the Ohio to be hereto affixed at Columbus, Ohio, this 7th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

TED STRICKLAND,  
Governor.

Countersigned:

JENNIFER BRUNNER,  
SECRETARY OF STATE.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF NEVADA

Executive Department

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION  
United States Senate

This is to certify that at a general election held in the State of Nevada on Tuesday, the second day of November, two thousand ten Harry Reid was duly elected as a Member of the United States Senate, in and for the State of Nevada, for a term of six years from and after the third day in January, two thousand eleven;

Now, Therefore, I Jim Gibbons, Governor of the State of Nevada, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws thereof, do hereby Commission him, the said Harry Reid as a Member of the United States Senate, for the State of Nevada, and authorize him to discharge the duties of said office according to law, and to hold and enjoy the same, together with all powers, privileges and emoluments thereunto appertaining.

In Testimony Thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol at Carson City, Nevada on this 14th day of December, two thousand ten.

JIM GIBBONS,  
Governor of the State  
of Nevada.

ROSS MILLER,  
Secretary of State of  
Nevada.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF FLORIDA

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Marco Rubio was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of

Florida a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor, Charlie Crist, and our seal hereto affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 29th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

CHARLIE CRIST,  
Governor.

DAWN K. ROBERTS,  
Interim Secretary of  
State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF NEW YORK  
Executive Chamber

*To the President of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the second day of November, two thousand ten, Charles E. Schumer was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of New York a Senator from said State to represent the State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, two thousand eleven.

Witness: His excellency our Governor David A. Paterson and our seal hereto affixed at Albany, New York this seventeenth day of December in the year two thousand ten.

By the Governor:

DAVID A. PATERSON,  
Governor.

RUTH NOEMI COLON,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF ALABAMA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Richard C. Shelby was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Alabama a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our governor Bob Riley, and our seal hereto affixed at Montgomery this 22nd day of November, in the year of our Lord 2010.

By the Governor:

ROB RILEY,  
Governor.

BETH CHAPMAN,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Office of the Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

This is to certify that on the second day of November, 2010, at the general election, John R. Thune was elected by the qualified voters of the State of South Dakota to the office of United States Senator for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2011.

In witness whereof, We have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed at Pierre, the Capital, this 22nd day of November, 2010.

M. MICHAEL ROUNDS,  
Governor.

Attested by:

CHRIS NELSON,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Governor's Office

*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the second day of November, 2010, Pat Toomey was duly chosen

by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a United States Senator to represent Pennsylvania in the Senate of the United States for a term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our Governor, Edward G. Rendell, and our seal hereto affixed at Harrisburg this ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord, 2010.

EDWARD G. RENDELL,  
Governor.

BASIL L. MERENDA,  
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF LOUISIANA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, David Vitter was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Louisiana a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor, Bobby Jindal, and our seal hereto affixed at Baton Rouge, Louisiana this 12th day of November, in the year of our Lord, 2010.

By the Governor:

BOBBY JINDAL,  
Governor.

TOM SCHEDLER,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF OREGON

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
*To the President of the Senate of the United States:*

This is to certify that on the 2nd day of November, 2010, Ron Wyden was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Oregon, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for a term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2011.

Witness: His excellency our Governor, Theodore Kulongoski, and our seal hereto affixed at Salem, Oregon, this 2nd day of December, 2010.

By the Governor:

THEODORE KULONGOSKI,  
Governor.

KATE BROWN,  
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

## ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

The VICE PRESIDENT. If the Senators to be sworn in will now present themselves to the desk in groups of four as their names are called in alphabetical order, the Chair will administer the oath of office.

The clerk will read the names of the first group.

The legislative clerk (Kathleen Alvarez Tritak) called the names of Ms. AYOTTE of New Hampshire, Mr. BENNET of Colorado, Mr. BLUMENTHAL of Connecticut, and Mr. BLUNT of Missouri.

These Senators, escorted by Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. DODD, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BOND, and Mrs. MCCASKILL, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was