

to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-84. A concurrent memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona urging Congress to adopt a Veterans Remembered Flag; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL NO. 1007

Whereas, there are flags for all branches of the armed services and there is a flag for POWs and MIAs, but there is no flag to honor the millions of former military personnel who have served our nation; and

Whereas, a flag is a symbol of recognition for a group or an ideal. Veterans comprise a group and certainly represent an ideal, and surely they deserve their own symbol; and

Whereas, it is estimated that 20,400,000 veterans, affiliated and unaffiliated with veterans' organizations, who have served in our nation's military comprise a significant portion of our country's population; and

Whereas, a Veterans Remembered Flag would memorialize and honor all past, present and future veterans and provide an enduring symbol to support tomorrow's veterans today; and

Whereas, displaying and flying this flag would validate the lives of millions of individuals who have served our country in times of war, peace and national crisis; and

Whereas, the Veterans Remembered Flag would fill the void of a flag to honor all veterans who have served in our country's armed forces; and

Whereas, the symbolism of this unique flag's design would be all-inclusive and would pay respect to the history of our nation and to all branches of the military, and would honor those who have served or died in the service of our nation; and

Whereas, the design of the Veterans Remembered Flag does all of the following:

1. Depicts the founding of our nation through the 13 stars that emanate from the hoist of the flag and march to the large red star that represents our nation and the five branches of our country's military that defend her: the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard.

2. The white star indicates a veteran's dedication to service.

3. The blue star honors all men and women who have ever served in our country's military.

4. The gold star memorializes those who have fallen while defending our nation.

5. The blue stripe that bears the title of the flag honors the loyalty of veterans to our nation, flag and government.

6. The green field represents the hallowed ground where all rest eternally.

Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring, prays:

1. That the United States Congress adopt a Veterans Remembered Flag as described in this Memorial.

2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-85. A resolution adopted by the California State Lands Commission memorializing its opposition to enactment of any bill that reverses President Obama's Offshore Moratorium Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

POM-86. A resolution adopted by the Lauderdale Lakes City Commission, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida memorializing condolences to

the family of Trayvon Martin and calling upon all authorities to see that justice is served; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. INOUE, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2013." (Rept. No. 112-160).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1119. A bill to reauthorize and improve the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-161).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1952. A bill to improve hazardous materials transportation safety and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-162).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 298. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 East Whitestone Boulevard in Cedar Park, Texas, as the "Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building".

H.R. 1423. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the "Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office".

H.R. 2079. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office".

H.R. 2213. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 801 West Eastport Street in Iuka, Mississippi, as the "Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office".

H.R. 2244. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 67 Castle Street in Geneva, New York, as the "Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office".

H.R. 2660. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 North Holderrieth Boulevard in Tomball, Texas, as the "Tomball Veterans Post Office".

H.R. 2767. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the "William T. Trant Post Office Building".

H.R. 3004. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 260 California Drive in Yountville, California, as the "Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building".

H.R. 3246. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the "Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building".

H.R. 3247. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building".

H.R. 3248. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building".

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment and with a pre-amble:

S. Res. 419. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition week.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. HARKIN for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Adam Gamoran, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2015.

*Judith D. Singer, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2014.

*Hirokazu Yoshikawa, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2015.

*David James Chard, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2015.

*Bonnie L. Bassler, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation for a term expiring May 10, 2016.

*Deborah S. Delisle, of South Carolina, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

*Roy Wallace McLeese III, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years.

*Tony Hammond, of Missouri, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring October 14, 2012.

*Mark A. Robbins, of California, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2018.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 2346. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term "biobased product"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. VITTER):

S. 2347. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2348. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyclopentylpropionyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2349. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyanamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2350. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diethylaminoethyl-dextran; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2351. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-Phthalimidopropionaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2352. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cinnamic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2353. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzylimidazole phenyl ethanol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2354. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Oxadiazon; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2355. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on (3-acetoxy-3-cyanopropyl)methylphosphinic acid, butyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2356. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty of Glufosinate-ammonium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2357. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to clarify the tariff rates for carpet cleaners and parts thereof imported into the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2358. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain pasta tools; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2359. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain food processors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2360. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain food choppers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2361. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain coffee makers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2362. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain toasters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2363. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain handheld food blenders; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 2364. A bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 2365. A bill to promote the economic and energy security of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KYL, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. JOHANNES, Mr. COATS, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 2366. A bill to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 2367. A bill to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KYL, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. PAUL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. JOHANNES, Mr. COATS, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BURR, Mr. HELLER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. LEE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 2368. A bill to ensure economy and efficiency of Federal Government operations by establishing a moratorium on midnight rules during a President's final days in office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 2369. A bill to establish the American Innovation Bank, to improve science and technology job training, to authorize grants for curriculum development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. RUBIO):

S. Res. 435. A resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. Res. 436. A resolution designating the week of April 22 through 28, 2012, as the "Week of the Young Child"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. Res. 437. A resolution congratulating the Boston College men's ice hockey team on winning its fifth National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Hockey Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. WICKER):

S. Res. 438. A resolution to support the goals and ideals of National Safe Digging Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. RUBIO, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. Res. 439. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC should eliminate the "adult entertainment" section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 57

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 57, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the application of the tonnage tax on certain vessels.

S. 219

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 219, a bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 705

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 705, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants.

S. 829

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 829, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN), the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were