

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Computerized Trading Venues: What Should the Rules of the Road Be?"

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, I see the Senator from Alaska is ready to speak. I have been asked to do some wrapup items, if she would indulge us.

CORRECTING THE ENROLLMENT OF S. 2367

Mr. MENENDEZ. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Con. Res. 63 submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 63) correcting the enrollment of S. 2367.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. MENENDEZ. I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements related to the measure be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 63) was agreed to, as follows:

S. CON. RES. 63

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

of the Senate is requested to return to the House of Representatives the enrolled bill (S. 2367, an Act to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes). Upon the return of such bill, the action of the Speaker of the House of Representatives in signing it shall be rescinded. The Secretary of the Senate shall reenroll the bill with the following correction: In section 2(b)(1)(B), strike "in subsection (b)" and insert "in subsection (j)".

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Con. Res. 64 submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 64) authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the lying in state of the remains of the late Honorable DANIEL K. INOUE.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. MENENDEZ. I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 64) was agreed to, as follows:

S. CON. RES. 64

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That in recognition of the long and distinguished service rendered to the Nation by Daniel K. Inouye, a Senator from the State of Hawaii and formerly a Representative from that State, his remains be permitted to lie in state in the rotunda of the Capitol on December 20, 2012, and the Architect of the Capitol, under the direction of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate, shall take all necessary steps for the accomplishment of that purpose.

RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE DANIEL KEN INOUE, SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 624 submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 624) relative to the death of the Honorable DANIEL KEN INOUE, Senator from the State of Hawaii.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. MENENDEZ. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or de-

bate, and any statements relating to the measure be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 624) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 624

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye served the people of the State of Hawaii for over 58 years in the Territorial House of Representatives, the Territorial Senate, the United States House of Representatives, and the United States Senate;

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye became the first Japanese American to serve in both the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate;

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye represented the State of Hawaii in Congress from before the time that Hawaii became a State in 1959 until 2012;

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye served as the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Defense, the first Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, Chairman of the Committee on Indian Affairs, Chairman of the Democratic Steering Committee, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Chairman of the Rules Committee, Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Secret Military Assistance to Iran and the Nicaraguan Opposition, and Secretary of the Democratic Conference;

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye delivered the keynote address at the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago, Illinois, in which he expressed a vision for a more inclusive Nation and famously declared "this is our country";

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye served as a medical volunteer at the Pearl Harbor attack on December 7, 1941, and volunteered to be part of the all Nisei 442nd Regimental Combat Team during World War II at a time when Japanese Americans were being systematically discriminated against by the Nation he volunteered to defend;

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye was wounded in battle and honorably discharged as a Captain with a Distinguished Service Cross, Bronze Star, Purple Heart with cluster, and 12 other medals and citations; and

Whereas Senator Daniel K. Inouye was awarded the Medal of Honor by President William J. Clinton in June 2000, along with 21 other Asian-American veterans of World War II for their actions during the war: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That—

(1) the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret of the death of the Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Senator from the State of Hawaii;

(2) the Secretary of the Senate shall transmit this resolution to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased; and

(3) when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2012

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, December 19, 2012; that following the

prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business for 1 hour, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the Republicans controlling the first half and the majority controlling the final half; and that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 1, the legislative vehicle for the emergency supplemental appropriations bill; further, that Senator HUTCHISON be recognized at 11:30 a.m. for up to 30 minutes and that Senator KYL be recognized at 2 p.m. for up to 30 minutes, each for the purpose of delivering retirement speeches.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the provisions of S. Res. 624, as a further mark of respect to the late Senator DANIEL K. INOUE of Hawaii, following the remarks of Senator MURKOWSKI.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Alaska.

REMEMBERING DANIEL K. INOUE

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, it is only fitting that I be allowed to speak for a few minutes recognizing that on this floor we have just advanced these resolutions in honor of our friend, our colleague, and truly an incredible gentleman and statesman, Senator DANIEL K. INOUE.

In Alaska, we regarded former Senator Ted Stevens as "Uncle Ted." What follows, then, is that the people of Alaska would regard his brother, our beloved DANIEL INOUE, as our uncle as well.

Today, the people of Alaska are mourning the loss of Senator INOUE in the same way we would mourn the loss of one of our own; that is, because Senator INOUE is one of our own. Regardless of whether he wanted that burden—I know that perhaps at times he did not want that—we would think of him as Alaska's third Senator. A great many Alaskans came to know, to love, and to rely on Senator INOUE to watch Alaska's back, and he never let us down.

Senator INOUE delivered a very touching, a very tender eulogy at Ted Stevens' funeral in August of 2010. In that address, he mentioned that millions and millions of words had been written of Ted's accomplishments. Yet as I was thinking about how I might frame my remarks about Senator

INOUE's life, it dawned on me that millions and millions of words had also been written already about Senator INOUE. That is because I think so many of Ted's accomplishments came with DAN INOUE at his side and, not coincidentally, many of DAN's accomplishments occurred in the presence of Ted. So where do we begin? There is so much that must be said and that should be said.

I was present at the Anchorage Baptist Temple when Senator INOUE delivered his eulogy, and I had the opportunity last evening, after we learned word of Senator INOUE's passing, to view that video clip again. As I listened to that eulogy, it came to me that everything Senator INOUE said about Ted told us as much about Dan as it did about Ted. There was so much that these two men shared.

Senator INOUE related that he knew from the very beginning of the relationship that the two would have a great deal in common. Both represented former territories at the very edge of our great Nation—territories that at times were treated as appendages to our Nation. He characterized Alaska and Hawaii as the forgotten people. In those early years, he reminded us it cost more to make a telephone call from Honolulu to here in Washington, DC, than it did Honolulu to Tokyo. It was cheaper to call Beijing from Washington than Anchorage. DAN and Ted set out to do something about that, and they did.

They traveled to each other's States. They came to understand the unique challenges each faced.

Senator INOUE related on one trip to an Alaska Native village that he met a nurse. It actually was not a nurse. It was our community health aide, an individual from the village who had been trained to provide basic medical care. It occurred to both of them at that time that the new technology could enable a doctor at a major hospital, hundreds or perhaps even thousands of miles away, to observe and diagnose a patient via a video link.

So was born the Alaska telemedicine network, one of the first of its kind in the world and truly a remarkable advancement and achievement in Alaska. It was born from their very conversations on that CODEL. This is just one small example of the many collaborations that improved life for the Native peoples of Alaska and Hawaii. These collaborations created models by which Senator INOUE improved conditions for the Native peoples of the 48 States as well.

Another thing that Ted and DAN shared in common was, of course, that they were both veterans. One of our colleagues described them as World War II soulmates—men who loved the military, absolutely loved the military, with every ounce of their being. They traveled together across the globe to zones of conflict to visit Americans in uniform.

The tragedy of Vietnam veterans returning home unappreciated was not

lost on either of these veterans, and they devoted their lives to ensuring that our veterans would never again be disrespected.

Following Ted's death, Senator INOUE came to this floor, and he said the following of his fallen brother:

When it came to policy, we disagreed more often than we agreed, but we were never disagreeable with one another. We were always positive and forthright.

This remark came as perhaps a little bit of a surprise to me because on the important issues that faced this country, they would most often arrive at significant agreements that would allow the issues to advance in the Senate. Not one of them viewed bipartisanship in a negative context. It was not a dirty word. Senator INOUE said of Ted: "We made the word bipartisan become real—real."

It is no coincidence that each would be described in these terms:

His word is his bond . . . Good as gold.

DANIEL INOUE brought depth to every debate and dignity to every room in which he entered. He was a model Senator and in these times of turbulence within the Senate I think a role model for so many of us. There was an elegance in this man that I think we should all strive to emulate. I wonder often if those of us who did not come of age in that "greatest generation" are up to this challenge. But we should certainly strive to be.

On behalf of the people of Alaska, I express our deepest appreciation and condolences to his wife Irene and to Ken for sharing this extraordinary statesman with us and with the Nation. For that, we owe them a very sincere and genuine thank you—mahalo. Irene, of course, is doing important work with the United States-Japan Council. I look forward to working closely with her in that important role.

When a significant figure in Alaska passes, we often say: "A big tree has fallen." In the islands, DANIEL INOUE was the biggest of the big trees. There is no way to minimize the loss the people of Hawaii are feeling. We could see it in the face of Governor Abercrombie yesterday. He could barely control his tears as he conducted a lengthy news conference following Senator INOUE's passing. We saw our friend and colleague, Senator AKAKA, as he delivered very sad remarks as well. In Hawaii, as in Alaska, these things are personal. Losing a longtime Senator feels like losing a member of your own family. The Senate ohana is less today because Senator INOUE is no longer with us. Let me simply say the people of Alaska and the people of this great Nation stand with the people of Hawaii. I offer my personal commitment to the people of Hawaii as the now senior-most Senator representing the decades' old alliance of our former territories: Your needs will not be forgotten.

With that, I thank you for the few extra minutes this evening to pay tribute to a good man, a good friend.

I yield the floor.