

SENATE RESOLUTION 541—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT ANY UNITED STATES-SAUDI ARABIA CIVILIAN NUCLEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT MUST PROHIBIT THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA FROM ENRICHING URANIUM OR SEPARATING PLUTONIUM ON ITS OWN TERRITORY, IN KEEPING WITH THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE NONPROLIFERATION “GOLD STANDARD”

Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. MARKEY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 541

Whereas the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, done at Washington, London, and Moscow July 1, 1968 (NPT), which is nearing its fiftieth anniversary, obligates non-nuclear weapon states, in Article II, “not to receive the transfer from any transferor whatsoever of nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices or of control over such weapons or explosive devices directly, or indirectly; not to manufacture or otherwise acquire nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices; and not to seek or receive any assistance in the manufacture of nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices”: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that any United States-Saudi Arabia civilian nuclear cooperation agreement under section 123 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2153), commonly known as a “123 Agreement”, concluded in the future, must prohibit the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from enriching uranium or separating plutonium on its own territory, in keeping with the strongest possible nonproliferation “gold standard”.

SENATE RESOLUTION 542—CONGRATULATING THE WASHINGTON CAPITALS FOR WINNING THE 2018 STANLEY CUP HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. KAINE, and Mr. WARNER) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 542

Whereas, on June 7, 2018, the Washington Capitals won the 2018 Stanley Cup hockey championship;

Whereas the Capitals, in their 44th year playing in the National Hockey League, won their first Stanley Cup;

Whereas the Capitals defeated the Vegas Golden Knights in the Stanley Cup Final in 5 games, clinching the series with 4 wins and 1 loss, including 4 wins in a row to close out the series;

Whereas the Capitals overcame 3 series deficits to 3 opponents en route to the Stanley Cup Final, defeating the Columbus Blue Jackets, the Pittsburgh Penguins, and the Tampa Bay Lightning to clinch the Eastern Conference title and win their second Prince of Wales Trophy;

Whereas the Capitals became the first team from Washington, DC, in the 4 major professional sports leagues in the United States to win a championship since 1992;

Whereas the Capitals overcame years of heartbreak to advance past the second round of the Stanley Cup playoffs for the first time since 1998;

Whereas tens of thousands of Capitals fans watched Game 5 of the Stanley Cup Final outside of Capital One Arena in Washington, DC;

Whereas Ted Leonsis, chief executive officer of Monumental Sports and owner of the Washington Capitals since 1999, has built a culture of success and contributed greatly to the Washington, DC, community through philanthropy;

Whereas John Walton, radio announcer for the Capitals, is beloved by Capitals fans and prophetically asserted this playoffs, “It’s OK to believe.”;

Whereas Alexander Ovechkin, captain of the Washington Capitals since 2010 and the first overall pick in the 2004 National Hockey League draft, exhibited extraordinary leadership and delivered superstar-caliber play, leading all scorers in the Stanley Cup playoffs with 15 goals and receiving the Conn Smythe Trophy as the most valuable player for the 2018 Stanley Cup playoffs;

Whereas during the 2018 Stanley Cup playoffs, Braden Holtby recorded a remarkable 0.922 save percentage and 2 shutouts;

Whereas during the 2018 Stanley Cup playoffs, Evgeny Kuznetsov recorded 32 points, including 12 goals and 20 assists, the second most points scored in a Stanley Cup playoff year since 1997, and was only the fifth player to record 30 or more points in a single Stanley Cup playoff year since 1997;

Whereas Barry Trotz, head coach of the Capitals, and the entire coaching staff kept the Capitals composed and organized, despite facing obstacles and adversity throughout the regular season and Stanley Cup playoffs; and

Whereas the entire Capitals roster banded together as one family to contribute to the Stanley Cup victory, including Nicklas Backstrom, Jay Beagle, Travis Boyd, Madison Bowey, Andre Burakovsky, John Carlson, Alex Chiasson, Brett Connolly, Pheonix Copley, Christian Djoos, Lars Eller, Shane Gersich, Philipp Grubauer, Braden Holtby, Jakub Jerabek, Michal Kempny, Evgeny Kuznetsov, Matt Niskanen, Dmitry Orlov, Brooks Orpik, T.J. Oshie, Alex Ovechkin, Devante Smith-Pelly, Chandler Stephenson, Jakub Vrana, Nathan Walker, and Tom Wilson: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Washington Capitals and their dedicated fans for becoming the 2018 National Hockey League Stanley Cup champions; and

(2) respectfully directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to—

(A) the founder, chairman, majority owner, and chief executive officer of Monumental Sports and owner of the Washington Capitals, Ted Leonsis;

(B) the senior vice president and general manager of the Washington Capitals, Brian MacLellan; and

(C) the head coach of the Washington Capitals, Barry Trotz.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543—CONGRATULATING THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY SEMINOLES SOFTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2018 NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WOMEN’S COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

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

S. RES. 543

Whereas, on June 5, 2018, the Florida State University Seminoles softball team won the

Women’s College World Series after sweeping the University of Washington Huskies 2-0 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma;

Whereas the Florida State University Seminoles softball team has competed in 10 Women’s College World Series tournaments;

Whereas, in winning the 2018 Women’s College World Series, the Florida State University Seminoles softball team—

(1) won its first Women’s College World Series Championship; and

(2) won Florida State University’s 15th national championship in a team sport since the university began fielding intercollegiate athletic teams in 1946;

Whereas the Florida State University softball team finished the season with a record of 58 wins and 12 losses;

Whereas infielder Jessie Warren was named Most Outstanding Player of the 2018 Women’s College World Series, tying the National Collegiate Athletic Association (referred to in this preamble as the “NCAA”) record for hits in a Women’s College World Series;

Whereas pitcher Meghan King finished the Women’s College World Series allowing only 1 earned run over 34 innings of pitching, the lowest earned run average in a Women’s College World Series in NCAA history; and

Whereas the Florida State University Seminoles softball team is the 2018 NCAA Division I National Champion: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commends Florida State University for winning the 2018 National Collegiate Athletic Association Women’s College World Series;

(2) recognizes the achievement and dedication of all players, coaches, and support staff who contributed to winning the Women’s College World Series;

(3) congratulates the citizens of Florida, Florida State University, and Seminole fans everywhere; and

(4) requests that the Secretary of the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to—

(A) John E. Thrasher, President of Florida State University;

(B) Stan Wilcox, Director of Athletics of Florida State University; and

(C) Lonni Alameda, Head Coach of the Florida State University softball team.

SENATE RESOLUTION 544—CELEBRATING JUNE 11, 2018, AS THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNITED STATES CORAL REEF TASK FORCE

Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. NELSON, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. MERKLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 544

Whereas 2018 marks the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the United States Coral Reef Task Force;

Whereas the United States Coral Reef Task Force—

(1) was established under Executive Order 13089 (63 Fed. Reg. 32701; relating to coral reef protection) on June 11, 1998, “to preserve and protect the biodiversity, health, heritage, and social and economic value of U.S. coral reef ecosystems and the marine environment”;

(2) is composed of 12 Federal agencies, 7 States and territories of the United States, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau; and

(3) helps build partnerships, develop strategies, and provide support to carry out on-the-ground actions to conserve coral reefs;

Whereas more than 50 percent of all species in federally managed fisheries depend on coral reefs at some stage during their life cycles;

Whereas healthy coral reef ecosystems are havens for biological diversity and abundance, providing important habitats, spawning areas, and nursery grounds for fish, crustaceans, algae, and other species;

Whereas, in November 2016, the International Coral Reef Initiative—

(1) declared 2018 as the International Year of the Reef for the third time; and

(2) encouraged—

(A) strengthening awareness globally about the value of, and threats to, coral reefs and associated ecosystems;

(B) promoting partnerships between governments, the private sector, academia, and civil society on the management of coral reefs;

(C) identifying and implementing effective management strategies for conservation, increased resiliency, and sustainable use of coral reefs and associated ecosystems; and

(D) promoting and sharing information on best practices relating to sustainable coral reef management strategies;

Whereas coral reefs—

(1) directly benefit the economy of the United States by supporting coastal tourism, fisheries, biomedicine development, and traditional and cultural uses; and

(2) provide an indirect economic benefit in the form of shoreline protection from high seas and severe storm surge from hurricanes and tsunamis;

Whereas coral reefs face ongoing threats from changing ocean conditions, nutrient pollution from coastal runoff, invasive species, recurring disease outbreaks and bleaching events, and poor coastal resource management;

Whereas approximately ⅓ of the coral reefs in the world are degraded, and another ⅓ of coral reefs are at risk of further degradation in the next few decades without effective management and restoration; and

Whereas the conservation and restoration of healthy, fully functioning coral reefs helps to sustain resilient coasts and vibrant economies by providing food, promoting cultural values, supporting livelihoods, and protecting human health and safety and coastal properties: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate celebrates June 11, 2018, as the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the United States Coral Reef Task Force in order to—

(1) highlight the importance of the coral reefs of the United States;

(2) acknowledge the important research and management accomplishments of the United States Coral Reef Task Force; and

(3) encourage a continued focus on efforts to protect and restore coral reef ecosystems of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 545—HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE TERRORIST ATTACK ON THE PULSE ORLANDO NIGHTCLUB ON JUNE 12, 2016

Mr. NELSON (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. ERNST, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. WARREN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. BROWN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr.

BLUMENTHAL, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. PETERS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. HELLER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. CARDIN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

Whereas, in the early hours of Sunday, June 12, 2016, a 29-year-old man from Ft. Pierce, Florida, killed 49 and wounded 53 innocent people in a horrific terrorist attack on Pulse Orlando, a lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender nightclub, during Latin night;

Whereas the gunman, who was investigated in 2013–2014 by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (in this preamble referred to as the “FBI”) for possible connections to terrorism, pledged his allegiance to the leader of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (in this preamble referred to as “ISIL”);

Whereas then-President Obama called the attack an act of both terror and hate as well as an attack on all of the people of the United States and the fundamental values of equality and dignity;

Whereas the attack was, at the time, the deadliest mass shooting in the modern history of the United States and is the worst terrorist attack on United States soil since September 11, 2001;

Whereas the law enforcement professionals of the city of Orlando and Orange County, Florida, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, the FBI, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, and other emergency and health care professionals responded to the attack bravely and admirably and in a coordinated manner, saving many lives;

Whereas following the attack, hundreds of people stood in long lines to donate blood for those injured in the attack, and the people of Orlando, the State of Florida, and the United States expressed overwhelming support for the victims, their families, and their loved ones regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, sex, or sexual orientation;

Whereas local organizations and caregivers came together with the Federal, State, and local government to support the victims and help the community heal;

Whereas the community of Orlando and communities across the State of Florida and the United States, in the spirit of unity and respect, continue to support the victims, their families, their loved ones, and all those affected by the attack, as well as the brave men and women of Federal, State, and local law enforcement and other emergency and health care professionals for their dedicated service to their communities;

Whereas Tuesday, June 12, 2018, marks 2 years since the attack; and

Whereas the threat of terrorist attacks against the United States and its allies persists, including the threat posed by homegrown terrorists inspired by foreign terrorist organizations like ISIL: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commemorates the victims killed in the horrific terrorist attack on the Pulse Orlando nightclub on June 12, 2016, and offers heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathies for their families, loved ones, and friends;

(2) honors the survivors of the attack and pledges continued support for their recovery;

(3) recognizes the unity, compassion, and resilience of the Orlando community after the attack;

(4) applauds the dedication and bravery of Federal, State, and local law enforcement and counterterrorism officials for their efforts to respond to the attack, prevent future attacks, and secure communities;

(5) stands together with all people of the United States, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, sex, or sexual orientation, in the face of terror and hate; and

(6) reaffirms the commitment of the United States and its allies to defeat the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant and other terrorist groups at home and abroad and to address the threat posed by homegrown terrorism.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2784. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2019 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2785. Ms. HARRIS (for herself and Mr. TESTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2786. Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. NELSON, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2787. Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. NELSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2788. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2789. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2790. Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2791. Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2792. Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2793. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2794. Mr. SCOTT (for himself and Mr. BROWN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2282 proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to the bill H.R. 5515, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.