

Whereas Dianne Feinstein demonstrated incredible courage and tenacity in spearheading the 5-year, 6,700-page report by the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate on the Detention and Interrogation Program of the Central Intelligence Agency, and in the enactment of subsequent legislation with former Senator John McCain to prohibit the future use of interrogation techniques described in that report;

Whereas Dianne Feinstein led congressional efforts to secure marriage equality, end LGBTQ discrimination, defend reproductive rights, combat violence against women, protect victims of trafficking, reform our health care system, provide immigration benefits for agricultural workers, increase fuel economy standards, improve the safety of personal care products, address nuclear waste storage, fund breast cancer research, counter illicit narcotics, enhance cybersecurity information sharing, increase resources to fight wildfires, and manage the water supply system of the State of California;

Whereas, on March 28, 2021, Dianne Feinstein became the longest-serving Senator to represent the State of California;

Whereas, on November 5, 2022, Dianne Feinstein became the longest-serving female Senator in the history of the United States;

Whereas Dianne Feinstein never truly stopped being Mayor of her beloved San Francisco, California;

Whereas Dianne Feinstein inspired generations of women to break barriers and seek positions of leadership, to find common ground in order to get things done for the people they represent, and to serve with grace, strength, and integrity;

Whereas Dianne Feinstein was a beloved sister, wife, mother, and grandmother; and

Whereas the State of California and the United States have lost a trailblazing lawmaker and dedicated public servant: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That—

(1) the Senate—

(A) has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of Dianne Feinstein, the late Senator for the State of California; and

(B) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of Dianne Feinstein; and

(2) when the Senate adjourns today, it stands adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Dianne Feinstein.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 401—HONORING THE LIFE, LEGACY, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF JAMES WILLIAM BUFFETT

Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 401

Whereas, James William “Jimmy” Buffett was born on Christmas Day, 1946, in Pascagoula, Mississippi, the first of James Delaney Buffett, Jr., and Mary Lorraine Peets Buffett’s three children;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett grew up in Mobile, Alabama, attending grade school at St. Ignatius Catholic School and the McGill Institute, an all-boys school, where he served as an altar boy;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett acquired a love of music, sailing, and aviation, a child of the sights and sounds of south Mississippi;

Whereas, in 1964, Mr. Buffett attended Auburn University for one year, was initiated

into Kappa Sigma Fraternity, Epsilon-Nu Chapter, learned how to play the guitar from a fellow student, and then transferred to Pearl River Community College in Poplarville, Mississippi;

Whereas, in 1966, Mr. Buffett transferred to the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and, in 1969, graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in history and journalism;

Whereas, in 1970, Mr. Buffett moved to Nashville, Tennessee, carrying with him his dream to be a country singer and releasing his first album, “Down to Earth”;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett pioneered his own “Gulf and Western” genre of music, blending country, folk, and pop to celebrate life by the sea;

Whereas, in 1975, Mr. Buffett formed his touring group of singers and songwriters, The Coral Reefer Band;

Whereas, in 1977, Mr. Buffett released the hit song, “Margaritaville,” and his first platinum album, “Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes”;

Whereas, in 2003, Mr. Buffett received his first Country Music Award for his song, “It’s 5 o’clock Somewhere”;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett contributed songs to the films “Summer Rental,” “Fast Times at Ridgemont High,” “Urban Cowboy,” and “FernGully: The Last Rainforest”;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett appeared in films and television shows, including “Repo Man,” “Hook,” “Sesame Street,” “Hawaii Five-O,” “Jurassic World,” “NCIS: New Orleans,” and “The Beach Bum”;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett’s commercial success brought “Gulf and Western” into mainstream country music, shaping the styles of stars like Kenny Chesney, Alan Jackson, and Zac Brown;

Whereas, along the way, Mr. Buffett opened the first Margaritaville Café on Duval Street in Key West, Florida, which was so successful it led to 23 Margaritavilles, one JWB Prime Steak and Seafood, and seven 5 o’clock Somewhere Bar and Grills;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett extended his business activity, investing in beer brands, partnering with casino companies, owning sports teams, releasing a video game, and building retirement communities, among other endeavors;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett had a third career as a writer, authoring best-selling books, including—

(1) “Tales from Margaritaville”;

(2) “Where is Joe Merchant”;

(3) “A Pirate Looks at Fifty”;

Whereas, over the course of his 50-year recording career, Mr. Buffett gave life to over 30 studio albums that sold over 20,000,000 copies worldwide;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett was nominated twice for Grammy Awards by the Recording Academy of the United States;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett’s entrepreneurial spirit created thousands of jobs and led to levels of financial success rare among musicians;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett’s songs, restaurants, and stories resonated with generations of grateful fans, “Parrotheads,” and casual listeners alike;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett offered escapist experiences that helped fans worldwide delight in life’s simple pleasures;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett was philanthropic, giving his time, finances, and music to support the troops of the United States, disaster relief efforts, conservation activities, and more;

Whereas, Mr. Buffett died on September 1, 2023, and is preceded in death by his parents, Mary Lorraine Peets Buffett and James Delaney Buffett, Jr.; and

Whereas, Mr. Buffett is survived by his wife, Jane Slagsvol Buffett, and three chil-

dren, Cameron Marley Buffett, Sarah Delaney Buffett, and Savannah Jane Buffett: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, that the Senate—

(1) honors the life and legacy of James William “Jimmy” Buffett for his contributions to music, his State, and his country;

(2) extends its heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Buffett; and

(3) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Buffett as a token of the United States Senate’s respect and admiration for his life’s work.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 402—DESIGNATING OCTOBER 26, 2023, AS THE “DAY OF THE DEPLOYED”

Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. WARNOCK, and Mr. DAINES) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 402

Whereas more than 2,000,000 individuals serve as members of the Armed Forces of the United States, including the reserve components of the Armed Forces;

Whereas several hundred thousand members of the Armed Forces have served in more than 200 countries in every region of the world;

Whereas more than 2,000,000 members of the Armed Forces have deployed to the area of operations of the United States Central Command since the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks;

Whereas, for nearly 20 years following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, members of the Armed Forces deployed throughout Afghanistan, and their service and bravery helped protect the United States from further terrorist attacks;

Whereas the United States is kept strong and free by the loyal military personnel from the total force of the Armed Forces, which includes the Active Duty components, the National Guard, and the Reserves, who protect the precious heritage of the United States through their declarations and actions;

Whereas the United States remains committed to providing the fullest possible accounting for personnel missing from past conflicts ranging from World War II through current day conflicts;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces serving at home and abroad have courageously answered the call to duty to defend the ideals of the United States and to preserve peace and freedom around the world;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces are called upon to be deployed on short notice to support, reassure, and defend allies and partners of the United States, and to deter adversaries around the world;

Whereas the United States remains committed to easing the transition from deployment abroad to service at home for members of the Armed Forces and the families of the members;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces personify the virtues of patriotism, service, duty, courage, and sacrifice;

Whereas the families of members of the Armed Forces make important and significant sacrifices for the United States; and

Whereas the Senate has designated October 26 as the “Day of the Deployed” since 2011: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) designates October 26, 2023, as the “Day of the Deployed”;

(2) honors the deployed members of the Armed Forces of the United States and the families of the members;

(3) calls on the people of the United States to reflect on the service of those members of the Armed Forces, wherever the members serve, past, present, and future; and

(4) encourages the people of the United States to observe the “Day of the Deployed” with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 403—RECOGNIZING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE USA RICE-DUCKS UNLIMITED RICE STEWARDSHIP PARTNERSHIP

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

S. RES. 403

Whereas the USA Rice-Ducks Unlimited Rice Stewardship Partnership (referred to in this preamble as the “Rice Stewardship Partnership”) is celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2023;

Whereas the Rice Stewardship Partnership is a unique collaboration between an agricultural commodity group and a conservation organization that has led to historic outcomes for both United States rice farmers and migratory shorebirds and waterfowl, namely ducks;

Whereas, since its inception, the Rice Stewardship Partnership has beneficially impacted more than 800,000 acres of rice and rice rotation lands on more than 1,000 farms, primarily through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program of the Department of Agriculture;

Whereas additional conservation funding has been provided to United States rice farmers to conduct on-the-ground conservation efforts, contributing exponentially to the environment; and

Whereas the work of Ducks Unlimited and USA Rice, along with tremendous support from more than 100 partners and the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture, has made the Rice Stewardship Partnership possible: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate recognizes—

(1) the contributions of Ducks Unlimited and USA Rice to environmental stewardship for rice farmers, conservationists, and duck hunters alike; and

(2) the 10th anniversary of the USA Rice-Ducks Unlimited Rice Stewardship Partnership.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 404—DESIGNATING OCTOBER 4, 2023, AS “ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY” IN CELEBRATION OF THE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS THAT HAVE BEEN DRIVEN BY PRIVATE SECTOR INNOVATION AND FEDERAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY POLICIES

Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. KING, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. KAINE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. COONS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. WELCH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. REED, and Mr. MANCHIN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 404

Whereas October has been designated as “National Energy Awareness Month”;

Whereas improvements in energy efficiency technologies and practices, along with policies of the United States enacted since the 1970s, have resulted in energy savings of more than 60,000,000,000,000 British thermal units and energy cost avoidance of more than \$800,000,000,000 annually;

Whereas energy efficiency has enjoyed bipartisan support in Congress and in administrations of both parties for more than 40 years;

Whereas bipartisan legislation enacted since the 1970s to advance Federal energy efficiency policies includes—

(1) the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201 et seq.);

(2) the National Appliance Energy Conservation Act of 1987 (Public Law 100-12; 101 Stat. 103);

(3) the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13201 et seq.);

(4) the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801 et seq.);

(5) the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (42 U.S.C. 17001 et seq.);

(6) the Energy Efficiency Improvement Act of 2015 (Public Law 114-11; 129 Stat. 182);

(7) the Energy Act of 2020 (Public Law 116-260; 134 Stat. 2418); and

(8) the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58; 135 Stat. 429);

Whereas energy efficiency has long been supported by a diverse coalition of businesses (including manufacturers, utilities, energy service companies, and technology firms), public interest organizations, environmental and conservation groups, and State and local governments;

Whereas, since 1980, the United States has more than doubled its energy productivity, realizing twice the economic output per unit of energy consumed;

Whereas more than 2,000,000 individuals in the United States are currently employed across the energy efficiency sector, as the United States has doubled its energy productivity, and business and industry have become more innovative and competitive in global markets;

Whereas the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy of the Department of Energy is the principal Federal agency responsible for renewable energy technologies and energy efficiency efforts;

Whereas cutting energy waste saves the consumers of the United States billions of dollars on utility bills annually; and

Whereas energy efficiency policies, financing innovations, and public-private partnerships have contributed to a reduction in energy intensity in Federal facilities by nearly 50 percent since the mid-1970s, which results in direct savings to United States taxpayers: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) designates October 4, 2023, as “Energy Efficiency Day”; and

(2) calls on the people of the United States to observe Energy Efficiency Day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 405—EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2023, AS “NATIONAL VETERANS SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY”

Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. KAINE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. KING, and Mr. VANCE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 405

Whereas the wounds sustained through armed service to the United States are both visible and invisible;

Whereas the wounds sustained through armed service to the United States may be invisible, but those wounds are treatable if the bearers of those wounds are connected to the right resources;

Whereas the Department of Veterans Affairs has determined that an average of nearly 17 veterans die by suicide each day;

Whereas veterans account for a disproportionate percentage of all adult suicides in the United States;

Whereas the surviving family members of veterans who succumb to the invisible wounds of armed service to the United States must not be forgotten and isolated but instead must be directed to available resources and support;

Whereas, after the loss of a veteran family member to the invisible wounds of armed service to the United States, the family members of that veteran must not lose their link to the support and strength of the military and veteran communities;

Whereas the families of veterans who die by suicide hold valuable “lessons learned on the lookback” that can be used to prevent future suicides in veteran populations;

Whereas the voices of the surviving family members of veterans who die by suicide are useful and should be leveraged in prevention efforts;

Whereas formal recognition of the families of veterans who succumb to the invisible wounds of armed service to the United States is vital to the strength, health, and survival of the veteran community;

Whereas those families should be recognized, supported, and heard on National Veterans Suicide Prevention Day and throughout the year; and

Whereas September 30, 2023, is an appropriate day to designate as “National Veterans Suicide Prevention Day”: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate supports the designation of September 30, 2023, as “National Veterans Suicide Prevention Day”.

#### SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 21—RECOGNIZING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF EQUAL PAY AND THE DISPARITY IN WAGES PAID TO LATINA WOMEN IN COMPARISON TO MEN

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. BENNET, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. KAINE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. KELLY) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. CON. RES. 21

Whereas October 5, 2023, is Latina Equal Pay Day to observe the pay gap between Latina women and White, non-Hispanic men;

Whereas Latina women make up the second-largest group of women workers in the United States, after White women;

Whereas there are 13,900,000 Hispanic women in the labor force, representing slightly more than 10 percent of all women in the labor force today;