

unprovoked full-scale war of choice and aggression upon the peaceful nation of Ukraine; and

Whereas, the Russian Federation violated international peace and security agreements that provided peaceful alternatives; and

Whereas, since February 24, 2022, Russian soldiers and surrogates have brutally inflicted violence and terror upon Ukrainian civilians of every age, including children and the elderly, and committed atrocities throughout Ukraine; and

Whereas, since February 24, 2022, Russian soldiers and surrogates have cruelly killed Ukrainian citizens' pets, domestic animals and wildlife; and

Whereas, since February 24, 2022, Russian soldiers and surrogates have attacked Ukrainian farms, environment, cultural institutions, religious sites and heritage; and

Whereas, since February 24, 2022, Russia has used targeted and indiscriminate aerial strikes to destroy residential structures, hospitals, schools, businesses and critical infrastructure that supports life including water systems and energy grids, plants and pipelines; and

Whereas, Russia has attacked and damaged nuclear power facilities in Ukraine captured and tortured workers from the facilities and subjected Ukraine and its neighbors to risks of radioactive releases; and

Whereas, as Russia's military struggled on the battlefield, Putin resorted to relying on the brutal PMC Wagner group to inflict his war of aggression and choice; and

Whereas, the PMC Wagner group is a Russian mercenary organization that was founded and is led by a Russian oligarch with close ties to Putin; and

Whereas, the PMC Wagner group has been designated as a significant transnational criminal organization pursuant to United States executive orders and by the United States department of the treasury; and

Whereas, Russian soldiers and the PMC Wagner group are credibly alleged to have committed violations of human rights and international humanitarian law by targeting children, the elderly, women and civilians through acts of cruel violence, torture, rape, abduction and forced mass displacement of Ukrainian children in Russian filtration camps to erase their Ukrainian identity and place them with Russian citizens; and

Whereas, Russia's war on Ukraine has severely disrupted Ukrainian and international economies, resources, food supplies and environments; and

Whereas, the brutality of Russia's war on Ukraine is an affront to international law, decency and humanity; and

Whereas, a threat to the sovereign borders of Ukraine is a threat to all western democracies; and

Whereas, Ukraine has been a bulwark against Russian military aggression in Europe and the world; and

Whereas, in response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the United States and the international community have imposed sanctions on Russia and provided Ukraine with equipment and resources it needs to defend its territory and people; and

Whereas, the leaders, military and citizens of Ukraine continue to valiantly stand up and fight against Russia's unjust and heinous invasion of their country; and

Whereas, Ukraine deserves the continued support of every American and the international community as Ukraine defends itself from Russia's invasion, which is the largest attack in Europe since World War II; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, by the House of Representatives of the State of New Mexico that the members of the house of representatives proudly stand in solidarity with Ukraine, its people and its

leaders, and commend them for their resiliency, courage and relentless fight to protect their right to self-determination and self-governance; and condemn, in the strongest possible terms, Vladimir Putin's attack on the people of Ukraine and endorse continued economic sanctions and export controls on Russia and continued provision of military and humanitarian resources to Ukraine; and be it further

*Resolved*, That members of the house of representatives wholeheartedly support the United States and international efforts to swiftly aid Ukraine in defending Ukrainian borders, end Russia's war on Ukraine and hold Russia accountable for its actions; and be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of this memorial be transmitted to the president of the United States, the senate of the United States, the house of representatives of the United States, members of New Mexico's congressional delegation and the Ukrainian embassy in the United States.

POM-83. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Ohio condemning the terrorist attacks against the state of Israel and expressing support for Israel's people; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 214

Whereas, On October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists carried out an unprovoked attack on the state of Israel; and

Whereas, The members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly share Israel's grief for the hundreds of civilians who have been killed or captured in this horrific act of terrorism; and

Whereas, Ohio is home to many Israeli citizens, Ohioans of Jewish faith, and countless other Ohioans who support the people of Israel; and

Whereas, Israel is a staunch ally of the United States and is deserving of our nation's unequivocal support as they defend themselves against this unjustifiable attack; now therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, declare our support for the Israeli people; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we condemn the actions of Hamas and their allies, including Iran, and their attack on Israel and its people; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C., for transmission to the proper authorities in the State of Israel, and the news media of Ohio.

POM-84. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio expressing Ohio's unwavering support for the people of Israel and condemning the recent attacks against the state of Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 292

Whereas, Israel is the strongest ally to the United States of America in the Middle East; and

Whereas, The safety and security of Israel is of paramount importance to stability and peace in the Middle East; and

Whereas, Ohio has long been a partner in trade and civil exchange with Israel; and

Whereas, Ohio is home to many Israeli citizens, Ohioans of Jewish faith, and countless other Ohioans who support the people of Israel; and

Whereas, On October 7, 2023, Iran-backed Hamas extremists carried out heinous and

unprecedented attacks against the people of Israel and their rightful homeland; and

Whereas, The deaths of more than 700 Israeli citizens represent a terrorist attack at an unprecedented scale and have been caused by brutal, unthinkable attacks on children, families, and other defenseless civilians; and

Whereas, The inhumane actions of the Iran-backed terrorists against the children, mothers, fathers, grandparents, sons, and daughters of Israel were unprecedented and cowardly; now therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 135th General Assembly of the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, express our unwavering support for the people of Israel and their desire for a safe, secure, and free Israel; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we unequivocally condemn the cowardly actions of Hamas and their unprecedented attack on Israeli citizens; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we offer our prayers for peace and the protection of innocent lives during this conflict; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we commit to steadfastly supporting Israel and its citizens as they strive for peace and to prevent Hamas from harming Israeli citizens in the future; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C., for transmission to the proper authorities in the State of Israel, and the news media of Ohio.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BROWN for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Jennifer L. Fain, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

\*Mark Toshiro Uyeda, of California, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2028.

\*Claudia Slacik, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2026.

\*William Brodsky, of Illinois, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2026.

\*Spencer Bachus III, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2027.

\*Tanya F. Otsuka, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board for a term expiring August 2, 2029.

\*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.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

#### 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. YOUNG (for himself and Mr. KAINE):

S. 3232. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require the standards for accreditation of an institution of higher education to assess the institution's adoption of admissions practices that refrain from preferential treatment in admissions based on an applicant's relationship to alumni of, or donors to, the institution, to authorize a feasibility study on data collection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 3233. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the occurrence of diabetes in Medicare beneficiaries by extending coverage under Medicare for medical nutrition therapy services to such beneficiaries with pre-diabetes or with risk factors for developing type 2 diabetes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. LEE, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. LUMMIS, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. DAINES, Mr. TESTER, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. MARKKY):

S. 3234. A bill to implement reforms relating to foreign intelligence surveillance authorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 3235. A bill to require a strategy to counter the role of the People's Republic of China in evasion of sanctions imposed by the United States with respect to Iran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WELCH (for himself and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3236. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare coverage of ambulance services that do not include transportation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TILLIS:

S. 3237. A bill to amend the Camp Lejeune Justice Act of 2022 to ensure claimants are adequately informed regarding filing a Federal cause of action; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OSSOFF (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 3238. A bill to make a supplemental appropriation to the Secretary of State to carry out the mission and activities of the United States Security Coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. LEE, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. VANCE, and Mr. CRAMER):

S. 3239. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to fingerprint noncitizen minors entering the United States who are suspected of being victims of human trafficking, to require the Secretary to publicly disclose the number of such minors who are fingerprinted by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials and the number of child traffickers who are apprehended by CBP, to impose criminal penalties on noncitizen adults who use unrelated minors to gain entry into the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAGERTY (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. BARRASSO):

S. 3240. A bill to require senior Department of State officials to maintain security clear-

ances and to require the Secretary of State to notify Congress when the security clearances of such officials are suspended or revoked; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. HYDE-SMITH:

S. 3241. A bill to establish the Grand Village of the Natchez Indians and Jefferson College as affiliated areas of the Natchez Historical Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CRAMER, and Ms. ERNST):

S. 3242. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to revise the shareholder threshold for registration under that Act for issuers that receive support through certain Federal universal service support mechanisms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. RICKETTS:

S. 3243. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude all military retirement and related benefits from Federal income tax; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 3244. A bill to amend the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 to extend funding outreach and assistance for low-income programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. CASSIDY):

S. 3245. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct surveys of non-retail pharmacy drug prices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FETTERMAN:

S. 3246. A bill to provide for consideration of all modes of transportation and all road users in certain highway and transit programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. Res. 453. A resolution celebrating the 150th anniversary of the founding of Texas Christian University; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 133

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 133, a bill to extend the National Alzheimer's Project.

S. 134

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 134, a bill to require an annual budget estimate for the initiatives of the National Institutes of Health pursuant to reports and recommendations made under the National Alzheimer's Project Act.

S. 146

At the request of Mr. HAWLEY, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr.

WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 146, a bill to reduce the price of insulin for patients.

S. 582

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Ms. LUMMIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 582, a bill to make daylight saving time permanent, and for other purposes.

S. 704

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 704, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for interest-free deferment on student loans for borrowers serving in a medical or dental internship or residency program.

S. 1227

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1227, a bill to combat illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing at its sources globally.

S. 1300

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1300, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition of the late Prime Minister Golda Meir and the 75th anniversary of the United States-Israel relationship.

S. 1538

At the request of Mr. HEINRICH, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1538, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to award grants for outdoor learning spaces and to develop living schoolyards.

S. 1542

At the request of Mr. MARSHALL, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) were added as cosponsors of S. 1542, a bill to improve services provided by pharmacy benefit managers.

S. 1800

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1800, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and extend the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Prevention and Services program, and for other purposes.

S. 1860

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1860, a bill to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to establish a grant program to fund youth fishing projects.

S. 1906

At the request of Mr. BRAUN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Ms. LUMMIS), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. RICKETTS) and the Senator