

CyberTipline received nearly 36,200,000 reports of suspected online child sexual exploitation, a 12-percent increase from 2022, the highest number of reports ever received in 1 year;

Whereas education and awareness of possible signs of child abuse and neglect should be prioritized for purposes of prevention; and

Whereas, by intervening to prevent adversity and build resilience during the most critical years of development of a child, voluntary, evidence-based, home-visiting programs have shown positive impact on—

(1) reducing the recurrence of child abuse and neglect;

(2) decreasing the incidence of low-birth-weight babies;

(3) improved school readiness for children; and

(4) increased high school graduation rates: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports the designation of April 2025 as “National Child Abuse Prevention Month”;

(2) expresses support for the goals and ideals of National Child Abuse Prevention Month;

(3) recognizes that child abuse and neglect and child sexual abuse are preventable, and that a healthy and prosperous society depends on strong families and communities;

(4) supports efforts to increase the awareness of, and provide education for, the general public of the United States, with respect to preventing child abuse and neglect and building protective factors for families;

(5) supports the efforts to help survivors of childhood sexual abuse heal;

(6) supports justice for victims of childhood sexual abuse; and

(7) recognizes the need for prevention, healing, and justice efforts related to childhood abuse, neglect, and sexual abuse.

SENATE RESOLUTION 185—DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 21 THROUGH APRIL 25, 2025, AS “NATIONAL HOME VISITING WEEK”

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

S. RES. 185

Whereas every child deserves the opportunity to live up to his or her potential;

Whereas the early childhood years are the most active period for the developing brain and a stable, secure relationship with a nurturing, caring adult is a key factor in the development of young children;

Whereas home visiting programs help parents meet the unique needs of their children, promote healthy development, strengthen family relationships, and reduce the risk of abuse and neglect;

Whereas, in 2023, evidence-based home visiting was implemented in all 50 States, the District of Columbia, 5 territories, 21 Indigenous communities, and 51 percent of United States counties;

Whereas, in fiscal year 2023, the Federal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program served over 139,000 parents and children and provided over 919,000 home visits;

Whereas more than 280,000 families received evidence-based home visiting services in 2023, over the course of more than 2,800,000 home visits;

Whereas more than 20,000 home visitors and supervisors delivered evidence-based services nationwide in 2023; and

Whereas home visitors provide practical, emotional, and educational support that helps families thrive, promotes positive par-

enting practices, and ensures children have a strong foundation for a healthy, successful life: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate supports—

(1) the designation of the week of April 21 through April 25, 2025, as “National Home Visiting Week”;

(2) the goals and ideals of National Home Visiting Week.

SENATE RESOLUTION 186—SUPPORTING THE MISSION AND GOALS OF NATIONAL FENTANYL AWARENESS DAY IN 2025, INCLUDING INCREASING INDIVIDUAL AND PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE IMPACT OF FAKE OR COUNTERFEIT FENTANYL PILLS ON FAMILIES AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. MCCORMICK, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. DAINES, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. JUSTICE, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KELLY, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. YOUNG, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. HAGERTY, Ms. ERNST, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. BUDD, and Mr. RICKETTS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 186

Whereas drug traffickers are mass-producing fake or counterfeit pills and falsely marketing them as legitimate prescription pills to deceive the people of the United States;

Whereas many fake or counterfeit pills are made to look like prescription name-brand opioids, stimulants, or anxiety medications;

Whereas drug traffickers are using fake or counterfeit pills to exploit prescription drug misuse and the opioid crisis;

Whereas the Drug Enforcement Administration (referred to in this preamble as the “DEA”) has observed a dramatic rise in the number of counterfeit pills containing not less than 2 milligrams of fentanyl, which is considered a deadly dose;

Whereas 5 out of every 10 pills with fentanyl tested by the DEA contain a potentially lethal dose;

Whereas counterfeit pills may also contain fentanyl-related substances and methamphetamine;

Whereas the number of counterfeit pills with fentanyl seized by law enforcement agencies in 2024 was 60,000,000;

Whereas, including the nearly 8,000 pounds of fentanyl powder seized in 2024, total fentanyl seizures are equivalent to more than 377,000,000 lethal doses of fentanyl;

Whereas fake or counterfeit pills have been identified in all 50 States and the District of Columbia;

Whereas illicit fentanyl has also been detected in illicit drugs such as heroin, cocaine, MDMA (ecstasy and molly), and methamphetamine;

Whereas, for the 12-month period ending in October 2024, more than 84,000 individuals in the United States died of drug-induced deaths, and more than 58,000 of those deaths involved illicit fentanyl and other synthetic opioids;

Whereas, over the last 20 years, drug-induced deaths among individuals 15 to 35 years of age have increased 5-fold, largely driven by the increase in illicit fentanyl drugs;

Whereas, for the 12-month period ending in June 2023, illicit fentanyl was involved in more deaths of individuals 55 years of age and under than any single other cause;

Whereas fake counterfeit pills are easily accessible and often sold on social media and e-commerce platforms, making them accessible to teens and youth;

Whereas illicit fentanyl is involved in more deaths of youths than all other drug types combined;

Whereas, between 2019 and 2021, drug overdose and poisoning deaths for individuals 14 to 18 years of age increased by 128 percent, a rate of increase which was 77 percentage points higher than the national rate and higher than the rate for any other 5-year age group;

Whereas, between 2019 and 2021, the number of deaths involving illicit fentanyl in drug overdose and poisoning deaths for individuals 14 to 18 years of age increased by 236 percent, a rate of increase which was 141 percentage points higher than the national rate and higher than the rate for any other 5-year age group over the age of 15;

Whereas, since 2021, the annual number of drug overdose and poisoning deaths and those deaths involving illicit fentanyl in drug overdose and poisoning deaths for individuals 14 to 18 years of age has increased;

Whereas, in the 12-month period ending June 2023, illicit fentanyl was involved in 81 percent of drug-induced deaths of individuals between 14 and 23 years of age, compared to 70 percent of drug-induced deaths of individuals of all ages;

Whereas, in 2024, only 65 percent of youth and 55 percent of teens in the United States were aware that fentanyl is being used to create counterfeit pills;

Whereas, in 2024, only 55 percent of youth and 50 percent of teens considered themselves knowledgeable about fentanyl; and

Whereas, in 2024, there were 51,010 reported overdose deaths involving illicit fentanyl and other synthetic opioids: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports the recognition and goals of National Fentanyl Awareness Day, which include increasing individual and public awareness of the impact of fake or counterfeit fentanyl pills on families and young people;

(2) applauds the work of Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies that work to combat the proliferation of counterfeit pills;

(3) encourages the use of existing authorities to proactively stop and prevent the spread of illicit counterfeit pills; and

(4) designates April 29, 2025, as “National Fentanyl Awareness Day”.

SENATE RESOLUTION 187—CELEBRATING THE 153RD ANNIVERSARY OF ARBOR DAY

Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. KING, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. RICKETTS, and Ms. BALDWIN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 187

Whereas Arbor Day was founded on April 10, 1872, to recognize the importance of planting trees;

Whereas Arbor Day is a time to recognize the importance of trees and an opportunity for communities to gather and plant for a greener future;

Whereas Arbor Day is observed in all 50 States and across the world;

Whereas participating in Arbor Day activities promotes civic participation and highlights the importance of planting and caring for trees and vegetation;

Whereas Arbor Day activities provide an opportunity to convey to future generations the value of land and stewardship;

Whereas working forests have contributed to an increase in the number of trees planted in the United States and are sustainably managed, with less than 2 percent of working forests nationally harvested each year;

Whereas a key factor in preventing forest conversion and deforestation is keeping forests productive;

Whereas working forests are a critical part of a nature-based solution to climate change, and by providing a continuous cycle of growing, harvesting, and replanting, active forest management maximizes the ability to sequester and store carbon and improves forest resilience;

Whereas private forests play an important role in conserving at-risk and declining species, and collaborative conservation efforts can benefit species while also helping to keep forests as forests;

Whereas sustainably grown wood can be used in a wide variety of resilient infrastructure and building applications—from traditional timber framing to high-tech mass timber—and as a natural, renewable, and biodegradable material, the significant use of wood building materials in buildings and bridges helps decrease global carbon emissions;

Whereas the Arbor Day Foundation and the Tree City USA program have been committed to greening cities and towns across the country since 1976, and, in that time, more than 3,500 communities have made the commitment to becoming Tree City USA communities;

Whereas Tree City USA communities are home to more than 47 percent of individuals in the United States, who are dedicated to core standards of sound urban forestry management and who dedicate resources and time to urban forestry initiatives, which helps make their communities and our country a better place to live;

Whereas National Arbor Day is observed on the last Friday of April each year; and

Whereas April 25, 2025, marks the 153rd anniversary of Arbor Day: Now, therefore, be it *Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes April 25, 2025, as “National Arbor Day”;

(2) celebrates the 153rd anniversary of Arbor Day;

(3) supports the goals and ideals of National Arbor Day; and

(4) encourages the people of the United States to participate in National Arbor Day activities.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. MARSHALL. Mr. President, I have five requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 3 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session

of the Senate on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 9:30 a.m., to meet in open session to consider nominations.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 10 a.m., to consider nominations.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a closed business meeting and briefing.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025, AT 10 A.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 10 a.m.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 12:01 a.m., adjourned until Wednesday, April 30, 2025, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DAVID BECK, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DEFENSE PROGRAMS, NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, VICE MARVIN L. ADAMS, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MARK BRNOVICH, OF ARIZONA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

FRANCES BROOKE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE ALEXIA MARIE GABRIELLE LATORTUE, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

THOMAS GAISER, OF OHIO, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE CHRISTOPHER CHARLES FONZONE, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JOHN GIORDANO, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

JONATHAN GREENSTEIN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE BRENT NEIMAN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

AMY HENNINGER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, VICE DOUGLAS CRAIG SCHMIDT, RESIGNED.

BRENT INGRAHAM, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, VICE DOUGLAS R. BUSH, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

DONALD KORB, OF OHIO, TO BE CHIEF COUNSEL FOR THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND AN ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, VICE MARJORIE A. ROLLINSON.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

ROBERT LAW, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY FOR STRATEGY, POLICY, AND PLANS, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE ROBERT PETER SILVERS, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DAVID PETERS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, VICE MATTHEW S. AXELROD, RESIGNED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

KEVIN RHODES, OF FLORIDA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR FOR FEDERAL PROCUREMENT POLICY, VICE MICHAEL ERIC WOOTEN.

NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION

JOHN SIMERMMEYER, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION FOR THE TERM OF THREE YEARS, VICE E. SEQUOYAH SIMERMMEYER, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ANJANI SINHA, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

PHILIP WEINBERG, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE KRISTYN E. JONES.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

STANLEY WOODWARD, JR., OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE VANITA GUPTA.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

CHARLES YOUNG III, OF WEST VIRGINIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, VICE CARRIE FRANCES RICCI, RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant colonel

SARAHGRACE R. AGLUBAT
RACHEL C. AKERLUND
ANDREW A. AMBAT
MORGAN E. ANDERSON
SARAH D. ANSWINE
CHRISTOPHER D. ARNOLD
ALEXIS R. AYALA
COREY D. BAKER
JESSICA L. BARNES
CAMERON E. BERLIN
DAVID G. BILLECI
JAMES M. BLACK
BRIAN M. BOPP
ZACHARY A. BORG
KENA L. BOSTICK
CHARLES J. BRADFORD
LEAH F. BRADING
DAVID J. BRASEFIELD
KATIE L. BROYLES
ALEXIS D. BURDON
DANIEL E. CAMPBELL
MARCO CATANESE
ADAM S. CHANDLER
ANISHA M. CHAPLIN
APRIL J. CHEN
KEVIN M. CICCONE
MATTHEW R. CLARK
WILLIAM R. CLINE
NICHOLAS A. CORREA
CHARITO M. CORVIN
LANELL E. CRAIG
HOPE R. CROWN
ALINA V. DACQUEL
DANIEL P. DARLINGTON
AUSTIN L. DAVIS
NICHOLAS P. DELCORE
ALFREDO DELGADO
DAVID M. DEMEUSE
DANIEL J. DIAMOND
CANDICE N. DILLITTE
ANTHONY P. DIMUZIO
JORDAN R. DIX
LOGAN R. DIXON
TORY O. DONATO
ABIGAIL C. EBERLE
KATHERINE M. ELWERT
KATRINA I. EROMIN
STEVEN A. EWING
KAITLIN F. FAIR
KARISSA M. FELTMAN
DOUGLAS S. FERGUSON
NICOLE L. FERRARA
MICHAEL V. FITTSEMANU
DANIELLE J. FLEMING
ZACHARY R. FONK
STEVEN A. FOSTER
JOHN G. FOX
KOREY J. FRATINI
ALEXANDRA N. GAGNON
SHANE E. GALBRAITH
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ALBERTO E. GARCIA III
DENNIS I. GARDNER, JR.
STEVEN M. GARDNER
ANDREW T. GAY
ALAN D. GEASON
JOSHUA L. GELSOMINO
JOSHUA A. GEYER
CHRISTOPHER M. GHEEN
APHICHAART GINGSUMRONG
MADELINE J. GOFF
ISLAH T. GOMEZ
JOSIAH A. GONZALEZ
KATIE M. GORBACZ
WILLIAM J. GRAFF
JACOB A. GRIEGO
MATTHEW T. GRIFFIE
DAN L. GRIFFITH III
JESSICA M. GRIFFITH
JULIE C. GROSSNICKLE
FRANCIS MARTIN B. GUDEZ
MICAH J. HAFICH
REED L. HAHN