

S. 340. A bill to direct the President to designate a month as African Diaspora Heritage Month; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. BENNET):

S. 341. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to establish a grant program for supporting local communities in detecting, preparing for, communicating about, or mitigating the environmental and public health impacts of wildfire smoke and extreme heat, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. KING, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. DAINES, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. KELLY, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. BENNET):

S. 342. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize an individual who is awarded the Purple Heart for service in the Armed Forces to transfer unused Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to a family member, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. REED, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. SMITH, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. BENNET):

S. 343. A bill to require full funding of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Ms. ERNST):

S. 344. A bill to require the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to identify and conduct recurrent vetting of evacuees from Afghanistan found not to be properly vetted before entering the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. CURTIS, and Mr. MARSHALL):

S. 345. A bill to provide that silencers be treated the same as firearms accessories; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. CASSIDY, and Ms. LUMMIS):

S. 346. A bill to protect the right of law-abiding citizens to transport knives interstate, notwithstanding a patchwork of State and local prohibitions that burden citizens; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. CAPITO (for herself and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER):

S. 347. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to reauthorize brownfields revitalization funding, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. KAINE):

S. 348. A bill to limit the authority of the President to impose new or additional duties with respect to articles imported from countries that are allies or free trade agreement partners of the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. DAINES):

S. 349. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to permit removal of trees around electrical lines on National Forest System land without conducting a timber sale, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. DAINES):

S. 350. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to select and implement landscape-scale forest restoration projects, to assist communities in increasing their resilience to wildfire, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. CAPITO (for herself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. 351. A bill to establish a pilot grant program to improve recycling accessibility, to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to carry out certain activities to collect and disseminate data on recycling and composting programs in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BUDD (for himself and Mr. TILLIS):

S. 352. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to provide assistance for common interest communities, condominiums, and housing cooperatives damaged by a major disaster, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S.J. Res. 8. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Homeland Security relating to "Increase of the Automatic Extension Period of Employment Authorization and Documentation for Certain Employment Authorization Document Renewal Applicants"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. SHEEHY):

S.J. Res. 9. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission relating to "Commission Guidance Regarding the Listing of Voluntary Carbon Credit Derivative Contracts"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 47. A resolution designating January 30, 2025, as "Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MORENO (for himself and Mr. HUSTED):

S. Res. 48. A resolution congratulating The Ohio State University football team for winning the 2025 College Football Playoff National Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HEINRICH (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BENNET, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GALLEG0, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KELLY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ROUNDS, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SHEEHY, Ms. SMITH, and Ms. WARREN):

S. Res. 49. A resolution designating the week beginning February 3, 2025, as "National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 50. A resolution designating the week of February 3 through 7, 2025, as "National School Counseling Week"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 93

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 93, a bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998 to address harmful algal blooms, and for other purposes.

S. 134

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 134, a bill to place limitations on excepting positions from the competitive service, and for other purposes.

S. 222

At the request of Mr. MARSHALL, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. SLOTKIN) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 222, a bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to allow schools that participate in the school lunch program to serve whole milk, and for other purposes.

S. 250

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. MORENO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 250, a bill to restrict the availability of Federal funds to organizations associated with the abortion industry.

S. 258

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 258, a bill to improve forecasting and understanding of tornadoes and other hazardous weather, and for other purposes.

S. 292

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. HAGERTY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 292, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against tax for charitable donations to nonprofit organizations providing education scholarships to qualified elementary and secondary students.

S. 315

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. MORENO) were added as cosponsors of S. 315, a bill to require the Secretary

of Transportation to issue a rule requiring access to AM broadcast stations in passenger motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

S. J. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. J. Res. 4, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Energy relating to "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Gas-fired Instantaneous Water Heaters".

S. CON. RES. 6

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. SLOTKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 6, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that tax-exempt fraternal benefit societies have historically provided and continue to provide critical benefits to the people and communities of the United States.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 47—DESIGNATING JANUARY 30, 2025, AS "FRED KOREMATSU DAY OF CIVIL LIBERTIES AND THE CONSTITUTION"

Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 47

Whereas Fred Toyosaburo Korematsu was born on January 30, 1919, in Oakland, California, to Japanese immigrant parents;

Whereas Fred Korematsu attempted to enlist in the United States National Guard and the United States Coast Guard after the United States entered World War II and was rejected because of his Japanese ancestry;

Whereas after the signing of Executive Order 9066 on February 19, 1942, by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, which authorized the forced imprisonment of 120,000 people of Japanese descent into prison camps, the majority of whom were American citizens, Fred Korematsu resisted that infringement of American civil liberties and attempted to continue his life as an American citizen until he was arrested, convicted, and incarcerated at a concentration camp in Topaz, Utah;

Whereas, in 1944, Fred Korematsu appealed his case to the United States Supreme Court, which ruled against him, declaring in *Korematsu v. United States* that Japanese incarceration was a "military necessity" rather than an egregious act of racial discrimination;

Whereas, in 1980, President Jimmy Carter created the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC), which concluded in 1983 that the forced removal and imprisonment of people of Japanese ancestry was motivated by "race prejudice, war hysteria, and a failure of political leadership";

Whereas during this time, researchers at the University of California, San Diego uncovered documents from the United States Department of Justice in which intelligence agencies, including the FBI, the FCC, and the Office of Naval Intelligence, denied that Japanese-Americans ever committed wrongdoing, but which were never presented to the United States Supreme Court during *Korematsu v. United States*;

Whereas following the conclusion of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians and the findings on governmental misconduct, Fred Korematsu reopened his case, and on November 10, 1983, the United States District Court of Northern California in San Francisco overturned his conviction;

Whereas Fred Korematsu's courageously fought injustice by challenging the constitutionality of Executive Order 9066, and his lawsuit remains an important lesson about the fragility of individual civil liberties during a time when the Nation is experiencing threats to its national security;

Whereas Fred Korematsu continued to fight injustice and defend the liberties of Muslim people when, in 2003, he warned in an amicus brief that the United States extreme national security measures following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, were reminiscent of the mistakes of the past that undermined American civil liberties, including the Alien and Sedition Acts of 1798, the suspension of habeas corpus during the Civil War, the prosecution of dissenters during World War I, the Red Scare of 1919–1920, the internment of people of Japanese descent during World War II, and the era of loyalty oaths and McCarthyism during the Cold War;

Whereas the democratic character of the American people will be nourished and enhanced by opportunities for civic education on the significant challenges that have been posed to our Constitution;

Whereas a day of annual national reflection on how the Fred Korematsu quest for justice is important to educating the American people about preserving civil liberties and the principle of equality before the law; and

Whereas the States of California, Florida, Hawaii, Virginia, Arizona, New Jersey, and Michigan have already designated January 30 as Fred Korematsu Day to commemorate his lifelong fight for civil liberties and the Constitution: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates January 30, 2025, as "Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution";

(2) recognizes Fred Korematsu's bravery and resilience in the face of adversity; and

(3) encourages all people to reflect on the importance of political leadership and vigilance and on the values of justice and civil rights during times of uncertainty and emergency.

SENATE RESOLUTION 48—CONGRATULATING THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2025 COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

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

Whereas, on January 20, 2025, The Ohio State University Buckeyes won the first-ever, 12-team College Football Playoff National Championship with a 34 to 23 victory over the 7-seeded Notre Dame Fighting Irish;

Whereas head coach Ryan Day led the Buckeyes to a national championship win in

his sixth year as head coach, bringing the total of national collegiate football championships won by The Ohio State University to 9;

Whereas the Ohio State Buckeyes were led by an exemplary group of seniors, many of whom deferred the opportunity to enter the National Football League draft and returned to the school for 1 final season;

Whereas quarterback Will Howard completed 17 of 21 passes for 231 yards and 2 touchdowns, earning the title of Offensive Most Valuable Player;

Whereas linebacker Cody Simon recorded 8 tackles, earning the title of Defensive Most Valuable Player;

Whereas the Ohio State Buckeyes finished the 2024 season with 14 wins and 2 losses;

Whereas the Ohio State Buckeyes faced the most challenging path to a championship in the history of college football, playing 4 top 10-ranked teams in their path to the championship game;

Whereas defensive end Jack Sawyer ensured the team reached the national title game with a sack and fumble return touchdown in the College Football Playoff semifinal;

Whereas safety Caleb Downs was unanimously selected for the 2024 All-American Team, just the 39th player to receive such an honor in the history of the football program of The Ohio State University;

Whereas center Seth McLaughlin won the Rimington Trophy as the country's most outstanding center and was recognized as a consensus All-American;

Whereas wide receiver Jeremiah Smith was recognized as the most outstanding wide receiver and the most outstanding freshman player in the Big Ten Conference;

Whereas 7 Ohio State Buckeyes were selected for the All-Big Ten First Team;

Whereas The Ohio State University president, Walter "Ted" Carter, Jr., the senior vice president and athletics director, Ross Bjork, and the football head coach, Ryan Day, have stewarded a tradition of athletic and academic excellence at the institution;

Whereas The Ohio State University, founded in 1870, is one of the nation's top land-grant and sea-grant institutions, with more than 67,000 students, 15 colleges, and over 200 academic centers and institutes; and

Whereas The Ohio State University marching band, cheerleaders, students, faculty, alumni, and fans worldwide have supported the football team through a season filled with adversity and triumph: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates The Ohio State University Buckeyes football team for winning the 2025 College Football Playoff National Championship;

(2) recognizes the players, coaches, staff, and fans whose hard work led to the championship; and

(3) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate prepare an official copy of this resolution for presentation to—

(A) the president of The Ohio State University, Walter "Ted" Carter Jr.;

(B) senior vice president and athletics director, Ross Bjork; and

(C) the head coach of The Ohio State University football team, Ryan Day.

SENATE RESOLUTION 49—DESIGNATING THE WEEK BEGINNING FEBRUARY 3, 2025, AS "NATIONAL TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WEEK"

Mr. HEINRICH (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRASSO,