

S RES. 657

Whereas Taiwan, the government of which officially calls itself the Republic of China, began transitioning to a liberal democracy in the late 1980s, lifted martial law in 1987, and held its first direct legislative election in 1992;

Whereas, on March 23, 1996, the people of Taiwan held their first direct presidential election, marking a historic milestone in Taiwan's democratic development;

Whereas Taiwan has now held 8 presidential and multiple legislative and local elections since its democratic transition, all of which were free, fair, and representative of the will of the people of Taiwan;

Whereas Taiwan has demonstrated the strength of its democratic system through multiple peaceful transfers of political power, which is a bedrock of a free, stable, and representative political system;

Whereas the democratic institutions of Taiwan codify the freedoms of speech, press, assembly, and religion into law, and the citizens of Taiwan have exercised these freedoms in practice to build a vibrant civil society, a strong journalistic and media sector, and an advanced business community;

Whereas Taiwan has continued to strengthen and safeguard its democratic system in the face of growing military, economic, and political pressure from the People's Republic of China;

Whereas the people of Taiwan have shown resilience and steadfast commitment to democratic values despite ongoing coercion and intimidation;

Whereas Taiwan's democracy and respect for the rule of law contribute to peace, stability, and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific region;

Whereas the Taiwan Relations Act (22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.) and the Six Assurances, which were originally conveyed by President Ronald Reagan to Taiwan in 1982, remain fundamental elements of United States policy toward Taiwan; and

Whereas the people of the United States and the people of Taiwan continue to stand as partners against coercion, and threats to regional peace and stability: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved,

SECTION 1. COMMEMORATION STATEMENT.

The Senate of the United States—

(1) commemorates the historic significance of Taiwan's first direct presidential election, which was held on March 23, 1996;

(2) commends Taiwan for building and sustaining a robust democratic system, and the example it has set for self-governance, not just for the Pacific region, but for the world;

(3) regards the democracy of Taiwan as a great strategic strength for the free world and a key component of strong and enduring United States-Taiwan relations;

(4) is committed to supporting Taiwan's self-defense and the liberty of its people; and

(5) remains committed to the United States policy toward Taiwan that has been established by the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96-8; 22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.), the Three Communiqués, and the Six Assurances towards Taiwan.

SEC. 2. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.

Nothing in this resolution may be construed as authorizing the use of military force.

SENATE RESOLUTION 658—EX-PRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE WEEK OF APRIL 6 THROUGH APRIL 10, 2026, AS “NATIONAL ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS WEEK”

Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mr. LUJÁN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 658

Whereas the National Association of Secondary School Principals (referred to in this preamble as “NASSP”), the National Association of Elementary School Principals (referred to in this preamble as “NAESP”), and the American Federation of School Administrators have designated the week of April 6 through April 10, 2026, as “National Assistant Principals Week”;

Whereas an assistant principal, as a member of the school administration, interacts with many sectors of the school community, including support staff, instructional staff, students, and parents;

Whereas assistant principals are responsible for establishing a positive learning environment and building strong relationships between their school and community;

Whereas assistant principals play a pivotal role in the instructional leadership of their schools by supervising student instruction, mentoring teachers, recognizing the achievements of staff, encouraging collaboration among staff, ensuring the implementation of best practices, monitoring student achievement and progress, facilitating and modeling data-driven decision making to inform instruction, and guiding the direction of targeted intervention and school improvement;

Whereas the day-to-day logistical operations of schools require assistant principals to monitor and address facility needs, attendance, transportation issues, and scheduling challenges, as well as to supervise extra- and co-curricular events;

Whereas assistant principals are entrusted with maintaining an inviting, safe, and orderly school environment that supports the growth and achievement of each and every student by nurturing positive peer relationships, recognizing student achievement, mediating conflicts, analyzing behavior patterns, providing interventions, and, when necessary, taking disciplinary actions;

Whereas, since its establishment in 2004, the NASSP National Assistant Principal of the Year Program has recognized outstanding middle and high school assistant principals who demonstrate success in leadership, curriculum, and personalization;

Whereas the NAESP National Outstanding Assistant Principal Program promotes the fundamental importance of the assistant principal and honors exceptional elementary and middle-level assistant principals who demonstrate excellence in educational leadership and set high standards for students, colleagues, parents, and the community; and

Whereas the week of April 6 through April 10, 2026, is an appropriate week to designate as “National Assistant Principals Week”:

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports the designation of “National Assistant Principals Week”;

(2) honors the contributions of assistant principals to the success of students in the United States; and

(3) encourages the people of the United States to observe National Assistant Principals Week with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of the role

played by assistant principals in school leadership and ensuring that every child has access to a high-quality education.

SENATE RESOLUTION 659—CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN SHORE AND BEACH PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION

Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 659

Whereas the year 2026 marks the centennial of the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association (in this preamble referred to as the “Association”), which has for a century advanced a science-guided commitment to coastal restoration and protection;

Whereas, in 1926, the Association's visionary leaders sought to establish a forum “where the novice and he who has long wrestled with these problems can seek more light; where the man of science and the statesman can exchange ideas and collaborate together; where idealist and lover of Nature and the economist can arrive at a mutual understanding; where landscape artist and philanthropist can find an outlet for their activities,” thereby fostering collaboration and innovation for coastal stewardship;

Whereas the critical issues of shore and beach preservation, which promote community protection, a strong economy, ecological health, and recreation, remain as vital in 2026 as they were at the time of the Association's founding;

Whereas United States coastal communities and natural resources have benefitted from the Association's work in translating coastal science and engineering, guiding policy, and advocating for resilient shores and beaches over the past century; and

Whereas, in 2026, the Association is celebrating its 100th anniversary: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes and celebrates the 100th anniversary of the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association (in this resolution referred to as the “Association”);

(2) commemorates the centennial of the Association, honoring a century of shore and beach preservation and progress; and

(3) congratulates the leaders and members of the Association on a century of dedication to the shores and beaches of the United States and recognizes the enduring importance of its mission.

SENATE RESOLUTION 660—HONORING THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF AIR FORCE MAJOR JOHN A. KLINNER, AIR FORCE MAJOR ARIANA G. SAVINO, AIR FORCE TECHNICAL SERGEANT ASHLEY B. PRUITT, AIR FORCE CAPTAIN SETH R. KOVAL, AIR FORCE CAPTAIN CURTIS J. ANGST, AND AIR FORCE MASTER SERGEANT TYLER H. SIMMONS

Mrs. BRITT (for herself, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. BANKS, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. MORENO, Mr. HUSTED, and Mr. SHEEHY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 660

Whereas the men and women who perished during an accident involving a KC-135 Stratotanker refueling aircraft operating over western Iraq while in support of Operation Epic Fury on March 12, 2026, represent the best of the United States of America;

Whereas Major John A. Klinner of Auburn, Alabama, Major Ariana G. Savino of Covington, Washington, and Technical Sergeant Ashley B. Pruitt of Bardstown, Kentucky, served in the 99th Air Refueling Squadron located at Sumpter Smith Joint Air National Guard Base in Birmingham, Alabama;

Whereas Captain Seth R. Koval of Mooresville, Indiana, Captain Curtis J. Angst of Wilmington, Ohio, and Master Sergeant Tyler H. Simmons of Columbus, Ohio were assigned to the 121st Air Refueling Wing at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base in Columbus, Ohio;

Whereas the people of the United States will remember the bravery of these fallen service members who made the ultimate sacrifice while supporting operations overseas;

Whereas their service secures the blessings of liberty and freedom for the United States of America; and

Whereas their sacrifice on March 12, 2026, was not made in vain, and so long as their grateful Nation lives, their faithful service shall not be forgotten: Now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the memory, service, and sacrifice of Air Force Major John A. Klinner, Air Force Major Ariana G. Savino, Air Force Technical Sergeant Ashley B. Pruitt, Air Force Captain Seth R. Koval, Air Force Captain Curtis J. Angst, and Air Force Master Sergeant Tyler H. Simmons;

(2) expresses its deepest condolences and gratitude to the Gold Star Families and loved ones of the fallen; and

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

(A) the 99th Air Refueling Squadron located at Sumpter Smith Joint Air National Guard Base in Birmingham, Alabama; and

(B) the 121st Air Refueling Wing at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base in Columbus, Ohio.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 29—AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL IN THE CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER FOR AN EVENT TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTHDAY OF KING KAMEHAMEHA I

Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Mr. SCHATZ) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. CON. RES. 29

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring),

SECTION 1. USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL FOR EVENT TO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY OF KING KAMEHAMEHA I

(a) **AUTHORIZATION.**—Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center is authorized to be used on June 7, 2026, for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha I.

(b) **PREPARATIONS.**—Physical preparations for the conduct of the event described in subsection (a) shall be carried out in accordance with such conditions as may be prescribed by the Architect of the Capitol.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4745. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him

to the bill S. 1383, to establish the Veterans Advisory Committee on Equal Access, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4746. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4420 proposed by Mr. THUNE (for Mr. SCHMITT) to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4747. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4748. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4749. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4750. Mr. DURBIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4751. Mr. DURBIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4752. Mr. DURBIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4753. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. WARNOCK) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4754. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4755. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4756. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 4759. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4760. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4761. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4762. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4763. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4764. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4765. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4767. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4768. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4769. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4770. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4771. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4745. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, to establish the Veterans Advisory Committee on Equal Access, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. LIMITATIONS ON THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, OR EXPANSION OF AN IMMIGRANT DETENTION CENTER IN GEORGIA.

None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Homeland Security under Public Law 119-21, or under any other Act, may be used for the acquisition, construction, renovation, or expansion of any U.S. Immigration and Enforcement detention center located in Social Circle, Georgia or Oakwood, Georgia unless such action in either such location is explicitly authorized by Mayor of the City of Social Circle or the Mayor of the City of Oakwood, as applicable.

SA 4746. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4420 proposed by Mr. THUNE (for Mr. SCHMITT) to the bill S. 1383, to establish the Veterans Advisory Committee on Equal Access, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I, insert the following:

Subtitle D—Application Only to Certain States

SEC. 131. APPLICATION ONLY TO CERTAIN STATES.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the provisions of and amendments made by this title shall only apply to a State with respect to an election for Federal office if more than 100 noncitizens were convicted of, or entered a plea of guilty or no contest to, an offense under section 611 of title 18, United States Code, with respect to the preceding election for Federal office held in the State.

SA 4747. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1383, to establish the Veterans Advisory Committee on Equal Access, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following: