

as amended, be agreed to; and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 648) was agreed to.

The amendment (No. 4785) to the preamble was agreed to as follows:

(Purpose: To amend the preamble)

In the preamble, strike the second whereas clause and insert the following:

Whereas, on March 1, 2026, an unmanned aircraft system attack on Port Shuaiba killed Master Sergeant Nicole M. Amor, age 39, of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, Captain Cody A. Khork, 35, of Winter Haven, Florida, Sergeant First Class Noah L. Tietjens, 42, of Bellevue, Nebraska, Sergeant Declan J. Coady, 20, of Des Moines, Iowa, Major Jeffrey R. O'Brien, 45, of Waukeke, Iowa, and Chief Warrant Officer 3 Robert M. Marzan, 54, of Spotsylvania, Virginia;

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

The resolution with its preamble, as amended, reads as follows:

S. RES. 648

Whereas United States servicemembers assigned to the 103rd Sustainment Command, United States Army Reserve, were deployed to Port Shuaiba, Kuwait, in support of Operation Epic Fury;

Whereas, on March 1, 2026, an unmanned aircraft system attack on Port Shuaiba killed Master Sergeant Nicole M. Amor, age 39, of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, Captain Cody A. Khork, 35, of Winter Haven, Florida, Sergeant First Class Noah L. Tietjens, 42, of Bellevue, Nebraska, Sergeant Declan J. Coady, 20, of Des Moines, Iowa, Major Jeffrey R. O'Brien, 45, of Waukeke, Iowa, and Chief Warrant Officer 3 Robert M. Marzan, 54, of Spotsylvania, Virginia;

Whereas Master Sergeant Amor was a dedicated soldier who served the United States with distinction for nearly 20 years in the United States Army Reserve, including on previous deployments to Kuwait and Iraq in 2019;

Whereas Master Sergeant Amor earned numerous military awards and decorations for her service, including the Army Commendation Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Service Medal, the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, and the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" Device;

Whereas Master Sergeant Amor was posthumously promoted from Sergeant First Class to Master Sergeant; and

Whereas Master Sergeant Amor was a devoted spouse and mother and was beloved by her community: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the memory, service, and sacrifice of Master Sergeant Nicole M. Amor, United States Army Reserve;

(2) extends its sympathies, gratitude, and support to the family of Master Sergeant Amor, and to all others affected by the attack at Port Shuaiba, Kuwait, on March 1, 2026; and

(3) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the family of Master Sergeant Amor.

MORNING BUSINESS

TOWN OF CHELSEA 175TH ANNIVERSARY

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, In 1851, 31 years after Maine became the 23rd State of the Union, the small, agricultural town of Chelsea was incorporated. Chelsea, named after the town of Chelsea, MA, is known for its peaceful community, with a strong sense of pride in its history. From its humble beginnings to a thriving agricultural center, Chelsea remains a true treasure of central Maine.

The first settlers were farmers, and their fierce determination and hard work made Chelsea an agricultural force. Chelsea became the largest produce market in the county, with apples from the town's sizable orchard a leading fare. By 1856, the first cider mill had been built. In addition, Chelsea shipped more wool than anywhere else in the State during the last half of the 19th century.

Chelsea has also played an important role in honoring those who serve our country. The Togus Veterans Hospital, established by President Abraham Lincoln, was the first Federal facility dedicated to providing care for America's heroes. In its long history, the facility cared for veterans from the American Civil War to the present day.

Thanks to its strategic location on the beautiful Kennebec River, Chelsea served as a significant site in our country's fight for independence during the Revolutionary War. More than 1,000 soldiers followed the Kennebec River north during Benedict Arnold's Quebec Expedition in 1775, using Chelsea as a key staging area to plan and prepare for the long journey.

Aside from the Togus Veterans Hospital, perhaps the building with the greatest historical significance is the Chelsea Grange Hall. Built in 1914, the Grange Hall symbolizes Chelsea's rural heritage and is a place where an organized effort is made to bring people together for good times and to orient the community around family and friendship.

Chelsea's history and its continued service to this Nation make it an absolute pearl of our State. The town of Chelsea has a proud legacy of service, resilience, and close-knit community spirit woven into the heart of rural Maine.

Maine has long played a role in the guidance and leadership of our great Nation. The town of Chelsea, by her safeguarding of our Nation's heroes and her place in our revolutionary history, leads the State of Maine into a future of continued service to neighbors and Nation.

NATIONAL AHEC WEEK

Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize this week as National AHEC—Area Health Education Centers—Week.

The AHEC program was originally authorized in 1971 and worked in conjunction with other Health Resources and Services Administration programs to provide health professionals to staff brick-and-mortar community health centers across the country. Today, AHECs offer hands-on and innovative health career curriculums for pre-college level students and are committed to continuing education, clinical training of health professionals, and responding to community health needs. The Nation's 300 AHECs are in nearly every State and in multiple U.S. territories.

AHEC clinical training placements put health professions students in a variety of real-world settings, such as urban and rural community health clinics and health departments that provide healthcare to traditionally hard-to-reach populations. Students, in particular those working through their AHECs, are more likely to remain in the communities where they trained, making it critically important to establish training opportunities in rural and underserved areas.

The need to strengthen the healthcare workforce continues. According to data from the Association of American Medical Colleges, the U.S. could see a shortage of up to 124,000 physicians by 2034, and the American Hospital Association says more than 200,000 new registered nurses are needed each year to meet increasing healthcare needs and to replace retiring nurses. AHECs have continued to work towards addressing workforce shortage areas, especially in rural and underserved communities. Just in the past 5 years, the AHEC program has trained 2 million healthcare professionals.

I have had the opportunity to work closely with the New Hampshire AHEC and have witnessed the amazing work they do. The mission of the New Hampshire AHEC is to support workforce development activities for current and future healthcare workers in the Granite State. In 2025, the New Hampshire AHEC offered continuing education to over 4,500 healthcare workers, improving treatment options for patients suffering from diseases such as diabetes and substance use disorder. In addition to working with providers, they also offer trainings on chronic disease, chronic pain, and diabetes self-management to patients in the community. More than 3,000 individuals have participated in these programs since 2010.

The New Hampshire AHEC team were pioneers in identifying the need for a workforce that bridges healthcare and community. Over the past 28 years, New Hampshire AHEC has focused on building the healthcare workforce by offering both day and residential programs for high school students, while also providing didactics and community-based experiences for health professions students across the State. It cannot be understated how important the New Hampshire AHEC is for our

communities and how important it is that the program continues to receive support from Congress. AHECs not only address current healthcare gaps and challenges, but they recruit, train and bolster our future health workforce. On behalf of my constituents at the New Hampshire AHEC program and the national AHEC program more broadly, I call on my colleagues to join me in recognizing March 23 to March 27 as National AHEC Week.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING HANDS JEWELERS

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as chair of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to honor Hands Jewelers of Johnson County, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Now known as Hands Jewelers, the business was founded in 1853 and bought by John Hands in 1907 after he moved to Iowa City because of the Rock Island Railroad depot. As the family recounts, railroad workers relied on precisely synchronized watches to keep trains on schedule, creating a constant need for skilled repair and craftsmanship. After John's passing, his son Harold Hands took over and married Mary Rupener Nusser. Soon, Hands Jewelers will be owned and operated under its fifth generation of leadership once Bill Nusser, Jr., passes the torch to his son Charlie to continue a legacy built on craftsmanship, trust, and dedication.

For more than 170 years, the business has provided high-quality jewelry and personalized service, helping customers celebrate life's most meaningful moments, from engagements and weddings to anniversaries and family milestones. Through a dedication to excellence and attention to detail, Hands Jewelers ensures each piece tells a story and has earned a reputation as a trusted name across eastern Iowa.

In recent years, Hands Jewelers has demonstrated its ability to adapt and evolve while honoring its long-standing traditions. Through a thoughtful re-branding effort, the business has modernized its marketing, expanded its e-commerce presence, and embraced new ways to connect with customers, ensuring continued success in an ever-changing marketplace.

Beyond its work in fine jewelry, Hands Jewelers is deeply woven into the fabric of the Iowa City community. The Nusser family has remained actively engaged in local leadership and service, including involvement with the Community Foundation of Johnson County, the Englert Theater, and Greater Iowa City, Inc., where they have helped support local economic growth and strengthen the small business community. Their leadership ex-

tends beyond the local level through participation in industry organizations such as Charlie's service on the Centurion Retail Advisory Board contributing to the Centurion Jewelry show, further underscoring their commitment to excellence and deep engagement in the fine jewelry business. With a team of 15 employees, the business supports local jobs while contributing to the vibrancy of Iowa City and the broader Johnson County community.

Today, with multiple family members still involved in the business, Hands Jewelers continues to reflect the values that have sustained it for generations: hard work, integrity, and a deep commitment to community.

I am pleased to recognize Bill and Charlie Nusser, along with the entire team at Hands Jewelers, for their dedication to Iowa City and Johnson County. I look forward to their continued success and wish them the very best in the years ahead.●

TRIBUTE TO KARA COLE

• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I am honored to recognize Kara Cole of Plymouth as March's Granite Stater of the Month. Kara created a program to teach elementary school students the lifelong skill of sewing.

Kara has always been passionate about sewing, and she believes that the skill isn't just a fun hobby but that it is also an important way to encourage sustainability, foster creativity, and provide a career pathway for students. After Kara realized 4 years ago that many of the students she worked with as a library media specialist for the Franklin School District didn't know how to sew, she decided to roll up her sleeves and change that. Kara went above and beyond her responsibilities and, alongside Cassie Easter, a library assistant in the district, Kara created a program to teach elementary students at the Paul Smith School in Franklin how to sew.

Since establishing the program, Kara has helped hundreds of students learn how to sew. This year, with the help of local donations, Kara helped students sew pillowcases and was even able to ensure that every single student had a pillow to put in their pillowcase. Kara has plans to grow the program in the years to come and hopes to include neighboring schools and organizations as part of her mission.

Kara's desire to go above and beyond to teach others a lifelong skill in her community is a great example of the Granite State spirit of supporting our neighbors. Her passion for helping young people is why I am proud to name her March's Granite Stater of the Month.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Hansley, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

REPORT OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13694 OF APRIL 1, 2015, WITH RESPECT TO SIGNIFICANT MALICIOUS CYBER-ENABLED ACTIVITIES—PM 54

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13694 of April 1, 2015, and with respect to which additional steps were taken in Executive Order 13757 of December 28, 2016, Executive Order 13984 of January 19, 2021, Executive Order 14110 of October 30, 2023 (revoked by Executive Order 14148 of January 20, 2025), Executive Order 14144 of January 16, 2025, and Executive Order 14306 of June 6, 2025, is to continue in effect beyond April 1, 2026.

Significant malicious cyber-enabled activities originating from, or directed by persons located, in whole or in substantial part, outside the United States continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13694 with respect to significant malicious cyber-enabled activities.

DONALD J. TRUMP.
THE WHITE HOUSE, March 24, 2026.