Whereas, in 2001, Texas A&M University became a member of the Association of American Universities, an association of leading research universities at the forefront of innovation, scholarship, and solutions that contribute to scientific progress, economic development, and national security;

Whereas, in 2002, Dr. Robert Gates became the 22nd President of Texas A&M University, and in 2006 he was appointed to serve as the 22nd United States Secretary of Defense;

Whereas, in 2002, Texas A&M University was designated the Military College of Texas by former Governor Rick Perry, who graduated from Texas A&M University in 1972, in recognition of the university's extensive history of military service, officer training programs, and student organizations that develop patriotic leaders;

Whereas, in August 2013, Texas A&M University acquired Texas Wesleyan Law School, renamed the Texas A&M University School of Law, which provides legal education that, as of the date of this resolution, is ranked among the top-25 nationally and produces service-oriented lawyers;

Whereas, in 2017, the Higher Education Center at McAllen was established, which empowers students to fulfill individual career goals, enhances economic development of the Rio Grande Valley, and supports a strong labor market;

Whereas, in 2021, Texas A&M University's Bush School of Government and Public Service opened its Washington, DC, teaching site, to offer graduate students from diverse backgrounds a path to successful careers in national security, diplomacy, and intelligence;

Whereas, as of the date of this resolution, Texas A&M University has grown to host more than 81,300 students participating in more than 410 programs of study across 17 colleges and schools, 3 branch campuses, a law school, and specialized health science centers across Texas;

Whereas Texas A&M University offers more than 1,300 student organizations, where students cultivate character grounded in the Aggie Core Values;

Whereas Texas A&M University's oldest, largest, and most recognizable student organization is the Corps of Cadets;

Whereas Texas A&M University holds a Senior Military College (SMC) designation, has the largest uniformed student body outside the United States service academies, and consistently commissions more officers into the United States Armed Forces than any other SMC;

Whereas Texas A&M University has established a learning environment that prepares the next generation of leaders to make a difference in the State of Texas, the United States, and around the world (referred to in this preamble as ''Aggie leaders'');

Whereas notable Aggie leaders include 14 United States Congressmen, 3 United States Cabinet Secretaries, 2 Governors, 2 International Heads of State, dozens of State legislators, 3 National Aeronautics and Space Administration astronauts, and 9 Medal of Honor recipients;

Whereas Texas A&M University ranks among the top research institutions in the United States and, as of 2024, the largest in Texas, with annual research expenditures of more than $1,500,000,000, making Texas A&M University a leader in discoveries in science, security, health, energy, agriculture, and space;

Whereas quality academic and research experiences at Texas A&M University are supported by The Texas A&M Foundation, where The Foundation, founded in 1953 by 21 former students, serves as the primary academic fundraiser for the university, raising $412,000,000 in 2025 through collaboration with former students, corporations, and supporters;

Whereas Texas A&M University, a proud member of the Southeastern Conference, fields more than 650 student-athletes across 20 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I men's and women's varsity teams and has earned 33 national championship titles, including recent championships in women's volleyball and women's tennis;

Whereas the traditions surrounding Texas A&M Athletics, including the 12th Man, Midnight Yell, and Kyle Field, reflect the unity and school spirit of tens of thousands of Aggie students, alumni, and fans;

Whereas Texas A&M Athletics is supported by the 12th Man Foundation, which is a charitable organization founded in 1950 to raise funds for athletes returning from World War II and has raised more than $47,000,000 for scholarships, programs, and facilities in support of championship athletics;

Whereas, since its founding in 1876, more than 653,000 students have graduated from Texas A&M University;

Whereas Texas A&M University is supported by The Association of Former Students, which was formed in 1919 by a coalition of alumni groups and serves to strengthen the network of former students, promote the interests of Texas A&M University, and serve the current student body, including by raising $16,700,000 in 2025 and supporting 15 constituent networks and 259 chartered clubs worldwide;

Whereas Texas A&M University is committed to honoring tradition, promoting academic excellence, exemplifying service, driving discovery and innovation, and cultivating leadership for future generations; and

Whereas October 4, 2026, marks 150 years of service by Texas A&M University to the State of Texas and the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate

(1) commends and congratulates Texas A&M University for 150 years of service to the State of Texas and the United States;

(2) recognizes Texas A&M University's 150 years of service and its impact as a force for good for the State of Texas and the United States; and

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

(A) the chairman of the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents; Mr. Robert Albritton;

(B) the chancellor of the Texas A&M University, the Honorable Glenn Hegar; and

(C) the president of Texas A&M University, Dr. Susan Ballabina.

SENATE RESOLUTION 949—DESIGNATING OCTOBER 12, 2026, AS ''NATIONAL LOGGERS DAY''

Ms. BALDWIN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 949

Whereas the logging industry has served as an economic driver and cultural tradition in the United States for centuries;

Whereas the logging industry creates rural jobs and provides revenue for local and State governments and National forests;

Whereas loggers provide renewable material for products used by people in the United States every day;

Whereas loggers are the first link in the $288,000,000 domestic forest products supply chain;

Whereas loggers are the means by which healthy forest management plans are accomplished;

Whereas logging provides for healthy forests, which—

(1) create and maintain vital wildlife habitats;

(2) protect watersheds;

(3) provide young forests that sequester carbon for cleaner air;

(4) provide social wellbeing and public recreational opportunities; and

(5) reduce loss of life and property from wildfires;

Whereas logging provides for healthy forests through regeneration and conservation, including by planting 2,500,000,000 trees annually; and

Whereas innovative clean energy solutions and clean energy jobs are part of the energy future of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate designates October 12, 2026, as ''National Loggers Day''.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 6845. Mr. MARKEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 9340, to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to establish a Federal standard relating to the recovery of the full, incremental costs of upgrades that serve large-load customers, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6846. Mr. GALLEGO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 9340, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6847. Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mr. WYDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 5349, to improve services provided to taxpayers by the Internal Revenue Service.

SA 6848. Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mr. WYDEN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 5349, supra.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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On page 2, line 4, strike ''2'' and insert ''4''.

On page 2, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that the high level of electricity usage by data centers constitutes interstate commerce.

SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) COMMISSION.—The term ''Commission'' means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

(2) DATA CENTER.—The term ''data center'' includes any facility, or group of facilities with the same owner located in the same utility area, that—

(A) primarily contains electronic equipment used to host information and information systems accessed by other systems or by users on other devices both in and outside of the State in which the facility or group of facilities is located;

(B) is a free-standing structure or a facility within a larger structure that uses environmental control equipment to maintain the proper conditions for the operation of electronic equipment; and