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#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON ARMED FORCES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 26, 2002, at 9:30 a.m., in both open and executive sessions to consider the nominations of Lieutenant General James T. Hill, USA for appointment to the grade of General and assignment as Commander in Chief, United States Southern Command; and Vice Admiral Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN for appointment to the grade of Admiral and assignment as Commander in Chief, United States Joint Forces Command.

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

##### COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Children and Families, be authorized to meet for a hearing on Birth Defects: Strategies for Prevention and Ensuring Quality of Life during the session of the Senate on Friday, July 26, 2002, at 9:30 a.m.

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

#### MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—H.R. 4965

Mr. REID. Mr. President, it is my understanding that H.R. 4965 is at the desk and due for its second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. As in legislative session, the clerk will read the bill by title for the second time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 4965) to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion.

Mr. REID. I object to any further proceedings at this time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection having been heard, the bill will be placed on the calendar.

#### MEETING OF CONGRESS IN NEW YORK, NEW YORK, ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2002

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the consideration of H. Con. Res. 448, received from the House and now at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (H. Con. Res. 448) providing for a special meeting for the Congress in New York, New York, on Friday, September 6, 2002, in remembrance of the victims and the heroes of September 11, 2001, in recognition of the courage and spirit of the City of New York, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the resolution and preamble be agreed to en bloc and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table without any intervening action or debate.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 448) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

#### PROVIDING REPRESENTATION BY CONGRESS AT MEETING IN NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the Senate now proceed to the consideration of H. Con. Res. 449, received from the House and now at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H. Con. Res. 449) providing for representation by Congress at a special meeting in New York, New York on Friday, September 6, 2002.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, without any intervening action or debate.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 449) was agreed to.

#### HONORING JUSTIN W. DART, JR.

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 310, submitted earlier today by Senators HARKIN, HATCH, KENNEDY, and GREGG.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. Res. 310) honoring Justin W. Dart, as a champion of the rights of individuals with disabilities.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, on Saturday, June 22, our Nation lost one of its great heroes: My good friend, Justin Dart, Jr. Today, my colleagues Senator KENNEDY, Senator HATCH, and Senator GREGG, and I are introducing a bipartisan resolution to honor Justin Dart. His memorial service will occur tomorrow, July 26, the 12th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Justin Dart was the godfather of the disability rights movement. For 30

years he fought to end prejudice against people with disabilities, to strengthen the disabilities right movement, to protect the rights of people with disabilities. Millions of Americans with disabilities never knew his name but they owe him so much.

Justin was instrumental to the passage of the ADA and many other policies of interest to individuals with disabilities. When President Bush signed the Americans With Disabilities Act, he gave the first pen to Justin Dart. He truly was the one who brought us together and give the inspiration and guidance to get this wonderful, magnificent bill through. I was proud to be at his side when he received the Medal of Freedom from President Clinton. Today we are proud to introduce this resolution to honor him and commemorate his tremendous contribution to the lives of Americans with disabilities across this country.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the resolution and preamble be agreed to en bloc, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements related thereto be printed in the RECORD at the appropriate place.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 310) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

##### S. RES. 310

Whereas Justin W. Dart, Jr. was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1930;

Whereas Justin Dart, Jr. has been recognized as a pioneer and leader in the disability rights movement;

Whereas Justin Dart, Jr. operated successful businesses in the United States and Japan;

Whereas 5 Presidents, 5 Governors, and Congress have seen fit to appoint Justin Dart, Jr. to leadership positions within the area of disability policy, including Vice Chairman of the National Council on Disability, Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, Chairperson of the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, and Chairperson of the Congressional Task Force on the Rights and Empowerment of Americans with Disabilities;

Whereas Justin Dart, Jr. was a civil rights activist for individuals with disabilities since he was stricken with polio in 1948 and played a leadership role in numerous civil rights marches across the country;

Whereas Justin Dart, Jr. worked tirelessly to secure passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which was signed into law by President Bush, and is often recognized as a major driving force behind the disability rights movement and that landmark legislation;

Whereas on January 15, 1998, President Clinton awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, our Nation's highest civilian award, to Justin Dart, Jr.

Whereas Justin Dart, Jr. has left a powerful legacy as a civil rights advocate and his actions have benefited the people of the United States;

Whereas Justin Dart, Jr. is not only remembered for his advocacy efforts on the behalf of individuals with disabilities, but also