

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, May is National Mental Health Month. This proud tradition was started over 50 years ago. Each May, the mental health community comes together to raise awareness about mental health disorders and to celebrate recovery. The last 50 years have seen significant progress in the treatment of mental disorders.

We know that with treatment and support, it is possible to recover.

Dr. Fred Frese knows this first hand. I met Dr. Frese at a roundtable that I held in Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Frese served as Director of Psychology at Western Reserve Psychiatric Hospital for 15 years. He is currently an Assistant Professor of Psychology in Clinical Psychiatry at Case Western Reserve University and Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine. He has authored and reviewed numerous articles and chapters, lectured in several countries and served on the boards of trustees of various organizations that work on behalf of individuals with disabilities.

In 1999, Dr. Frese received the Hildreth Award, the highest honor given by the American Psychological Association's Psychologists in Public Service Division. Over the course of his career, he has testified numerous times before both houses of the United States Congress. Dr. Frese's career has been remarkable. His life has been remarkable.

He has been living with paranoid schizophrenia since 1966. Dr. Frese is remarkable. But his recovery is not unusual.

Many people stricken with mental illness can and do recover with appropriate treatment. But the stigma associated with mental health disorders can discourage people from getting the help they need. The U.S. Surgeon General's seminal report on mental health cites stigma as a significant barrier to recovery.

I am proud to say that Ohio's Departments of Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services are doing something about it. They have launched a "Think Outside the Stigma" campaign, a public information effort to increase awareness about the misperceptions associated with mental health and substance use disorders.

Today I am introducing a resolution commending this campaign.

My colleague in the house, Congressman Zack Space, is offering a companion resolution.

Imagine a world where individuals with mental disorders are supported and treated, not marginalized and discriminated against. Imagine a world where we see individuals first and disability second. Imagine the wealth of talent and resources that individuals with mental illness can realize with treatment. Individuals like Dr. Frese.

We must work together to overcome the unfair and unnecessary burden of stigma associated with mental illness and substance use disorders. We know

that treatment can work. We know that people can recover. We know that Americans are well worth the investment.

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SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 572—CALLING UPON THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR THE SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA TO UPHOLD THE FUNDAMENTAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING AND EDUCATION OF THEIR CHILDREN

Mrs. DOLE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 572

Whereas the modern homeschool movement in the United States demonstrates that homeschooled children are a vital component of the United States education system;

Whereas homeschool graduates act responsibly as parents and as students in colleges and universities, are valuable in the workplace, and are productive citizens in society at large;

Whereas many studies confirm that children who are educated at home score considerably above the national average on nationally-normed achievement tests, and above the average on both the SAT and ACT college entrance exams;

Whereas homeschooled children, such as 2007 Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow, are receiving national recognition for their victories in national competitions, such as national spelling bees and geography bees, and are being highly sought after by nationally-recognized colleges and universities;

Whereas homeschooling families contribute significantly to the cultural diversity important to a healthy society;

Whereas notable individuals such as Benjamin Franklin, John Quincy Adams, Patrick Henry, Ansel Adams, Charles Dickens, and General Douglas MacArthur all received a high-quality education at home;

Whereas over 2,100,000 children are being homeschooled nationwide;

Whereas the Supreme Court has ruled that parents have a fundamental and constitutional right to direct the upbringing and education of their children, in the cases of *Pierce v. Society of Sisters*, 268 U.S. 510 (1925), *Meyer v. Nebraska*, 262 U.S. 390 (1923), and *Wisconsin v. Yoder*, 406 U.S. 205 (1972);

Whereas on February 28, 2008, the Court of Appeal for the Second Appellate District of California, in Los Angeles, California, issued an opinion in the case of *In re Rachel L.*, 73 Cal. Rptr. 3d 77 (Cal. Ct. App. 2008), that homeschool parents who did not hold a teaching credential could not legally homeschool their children;

Whereas the initial decision by the Court of Appeal in that case would have had an adverse impact on approximately 166,000 children in California who are receiving a quality education at home; and

Whereas on March 25, 2008, the Court of Appeal granted a motion for rehearing in the *In re Rachel L.* case, with respect to the decision that required parents to hold a teaching credential in order to legally homeschool their children; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commends the Court of Appeal for the Second Appellate District of California, in

Los Angeles, California, for allowing a rehearing in the case of *In re Rachel L.*, 73 Cal. Rptr. 3d 77 (Cal. Ct. App. 2008); and

(2) calls upon the court to uphold the Supreme Court's opinion that parents have a fundamental and constitutional right to direct the upbringing and education of their children.

SENATE RESOLUTION 573—RECOGNIZING CUBA SOLIDARITY DAY AND THE STRUGGLE OF THE CUBAN PEOPLE AS THEY CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Mr. MARTINEZ (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. LIEBERMAN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 573

Whereas the Cuban regime continues to deny the basic human rights of its citizens;

Whereas the Cuban people are denied freedom of the press, freedom of speech, and freedom to peaceful assembly;

Whereas the Cuban regime refuses to hold free and fair elections in order to elect a democratic government that represents the will of the people;

Whereas Freedom House recently rated Cuba as 1 of the 8 most oppressive regimes in the world;

Whereas the Cuban regime is currently holding more than 220 political prisoners according to Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, and Reporters Without Borders;

Whereas these prisoners are illegally held in prison contrary to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, which Cuba has signed and recognizes;

Whereas 55 of the 75 political activists imprisoned in the March 2003 crackdown (known as "Black Spring") including independent journalists and union members, remain in prison;

Whereas the wives of these prisoners, known as the Ladies in White, continue to be assaulted for simply seeking information regarding the March 2003 arrests, most recently on April 21, 2008, when the Ladies in White were violently dragged from a peaceful sit-in by Cuban officials;

Whereas prisoners face inhuman and unsafe prison conditions, including the denial of medical treatment; and

Whereas on May 21, 2008 communities around the world will celebrate Cuba Solidarity Day, a day for the world to join together in the fight against oppression in Cuba: Now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) celebrates Cuba Solidarity Day;

(2) recognizes the injustices faced by the people of Cuba under the current regime; and

(3) stands in solidarity with the Cuban people as they continue to work towards democratic change in their homeland.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 83—SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL BETTER HEARING AND SPEECH MONTH

Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mrs. MURRAY)) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. CON. RES. 83

Whereas the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders reports that approximately 42,000,000 people in the United States suffer from a speech, voice, language, or hearing impairment;

Whereas approximately 32,500,000, or 15 percent, of adults in the United States report some degree of hearing loss;

Whereas 1 out of every 3 people in the United States over 60 years of age has a hearing problem;

Whereas 1 in 6, or 15 percent, of people in the baby boom generation, between the ages of 41 and 59, has a hearing problem;

Whereas 1 in 14, or 7 percent, of people in the United States between the ages of 29 and 40 already has hearing loss;

Whereas at least 1,400,000 children in the United States have hearing problems;

Whereas traumatic brain injury is an increasing problem among members of the Armed Forces returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan;

Whereas patients with traumatic brain injury may have problems with spoken language, called dysarthria, if the part of the brain that controls speech muscles is damaged, resulting in speech that is often slowed, slurred, and garbled;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces sent to battle zones are more than 50 times more likely to suffer noise-induced hearing loss than members of the Armed Forces who do not deploy;

Whereas, although more than 32,500,000 adults in the United States could benefit from the use of hearing aids, only 1 in 5 people who could benefit from a hearing aid actually wears one;

Whereas, of children between the ages of 6 and 19 years old, approximately 5,200,000, or 12.5 percent, are estimated to have noise-induced hearing loss in one or both ears, often as a result of increased environmental noise;

Whereas hearing loss is the most common congenital disorder in newborns;

Whereas a delay in diagnosing a hearing loss when a child is born can affect the child's social, emotional, and academic development;

Whereas, during the 2003 school year, more than 1,500,000 children had speech, language, or hearing impairments and received services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.);

Whereas children with language impairments are 4 to 5 times more likely than their peers to experience reading problems;

Whereas 10 percent of children entering the first grade have moderate to severe speech disorders, including stuttering;

Whereas more than 3,000,000 people in the United States of all ages stutter;

Whereas approximately 1,000,000 people in the United States have aphasia, a language disorder inhibiting spoken communication that results from damage caused by a stroke or other traumatic injury to the language centers of the brain; and

Whereas, since 1927, May has been celebrated as National Better Hearing and Speech Month in order to raise awareness regarding speech, voice, language, and hearing impairments and to provide an opportunity for Federal, State, and local governments, members of the private and nonprofit sectors, speech and hearing professionals, and the people of the United States to focus on preventing, mitigating, and curing such impairments: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—

(1) supports the goals and ideals of National Better Hearing and Speech Month;

(2) urges increased coordination of community-based, comprehensive care for members

of the Armed Forces, veterans, athletes, and accident victims who have experienced hearing and speech deficiencies as a result of traumatic brain injury;

(3) supports the efforts of speech and hearing professionals to improve the speech and hearing development of children;

(4) encourages the people of the United States to have their hearing checked regularly and to avoid environmental noise that can lead to hearing loss; and

(5) commends the 46 States that have implemented routine hearing screenings for every newborn before the newborn leaves the hospital.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4805. Mr. CORKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2642, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4806. Mr. CORKER (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mr. DODD) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4807. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4808. Mr. CONRAD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4809. Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. REID) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4810. Mrs. DOLE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4811. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4812. Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4813. Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. VOINOVICH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4814. Mr. BROWBACK (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, and Mr. ROBERTS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 4803 proposed by Mr. REID to the bill H.R. 2642, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS—MAY 20, 2008

SA 4789. Mr. REID proposed an amendment to House amendment numbered 2 to the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 2642, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes; as follows:

In lieu of the language proposed to be inserted, insert the following:

TITLE I

OTHER SECURITY, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AND INTERNATIONAL MATTERS

CHAPTER 1

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

PUBLIC LAW 480 TITLE II GRANTS

For an additional amount for "Public Law 480 Title II Grants", \$850,000,000, to remain available until expended.

For an additional amount for "Public Law 480 Title II Grants", \$395,000,000, to become available on October 1, 2008, and to remain available until expended.

CHAPTER 2

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For an additional amount for the Office of the Inspector General, \$4,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

LEGAL ACTIVITIES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, GENERAL LEGAL ACTIVITIES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses, General Legal Activities", \$1,648,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses, United States Attorneys", \$5,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses", \$18,621,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses", \$164,965,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses", \$82,600,000 to become available on October 1, 2008 and to remain available until September 30, 2009.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses", \$22,666,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses", \$4,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

FEDERAL PRISON SYSTEM

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses", \$9,100,000, to remain available until September 30, 2009.

CHAPTER 3

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Army", \$1,170,200,000: *Provided*, That such funds may be obligated and expended to carry out planning and design and military construction projects not otherwise authorized by law: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, \$1,033,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2009, and \$137,200,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2012: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading for military construction