

Whereas the American Kennel Club established the AKC Canine Good Citizen program, which certifies dogs with good manners at home and in the community;

Whereas the American Kennel Club maintains the world's largest dog library and the Museum of the Dog in St. Louis, which houses one of the world's largest collections of dog-related fine art and artifacts, both of which are open to the public; and

Whereas the American Kennel Club celebrates its 125th anniversary this year: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate honors the American Kennel Club for its service to dog owners and the United States public.

SENATE RESOLUTION 394—CONGRATULATING THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY FEINBERG SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FOR ITS 150 YEARS OF COMMITMENT TO ADVANCING SCIENCE AND IMPROVING HEALTH

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

S. RES. 394

Whereas, on March 12, 1859, the origins of Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine began with Drs. Hosmer A. Johnson, Edmund Andrews, Ralph N. Isham, and David Rutter signing an agreement to establish the medical department of Lind University, which provided the first graded curriculum in a medical school in the United States;

Whereas, on October 9, 1859, the medical school marked its first session;

Whereas, on April 26, 1864, the medical department of Lind University became Chicago Medical College;

Whereas in 1870, Chicago Medical College entered into an agreement with Northwestern University to serve as the Department of Medicine for the University;

Whereas in 2002, the Northwestern University Board of Trustees renamed the medical school in honor of benefactor Reuben Feinberg;

Whereas the Feinberg School of Medicine is one of the pre-eminent medical schools in the Nation, producing the next generation of leaders in medical and related fields through its innovative research and educational programs;

Whereas the Feinberg School of Medicine supports the provision of the highest standard of clinical care by its clinical affiliates for their patients;

Whereas the Feinberg School of Medicine is cited annually in national college rankings as one of the top medical schools for research;

Whereas Feinberg School of Medicine alumni are leaders in their fields;

Whereas the Feinberg School of Medicine is a leader in aligning experts from various disciplines to create a collaborative research enterprise that explores the fertile discovery space between disciplines; and

Whereas Feinberg School of Medicine faculty are nationally and internationally prominent physicians and scientists who have an impact on the most pressing medical and research issues: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Feinberg School of Medicine on the momentous occasion of its 150th anniversary, and expresses best wishes for continued success;

(2) recognizes and commends the Feinberg School of Medicine for its dedication to edu-

cating world class physicians and scientists, sponsoring cutting edge medical research, and providing highly specialized clinical care; and

(3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Feinberg School of Medicine for appropriate display.

Mr. BURRIS. Mr. President, 150 years ago, a group of outstanding doctors assembled to establish a new medical school, which would offer the first graded medical curriculum in the history of the U.S.

This medical college eventually became a part of the world-renowned Northwestern University—located just outside of Chicago, IL—and grew to become one of the most prominent medical schools in the Nation.

Today, it is known as the Feinberg School of Medicine, and it stands at the forefront of education, research, clinical care, and many related fields.

Today I am proud to join the students, faculty and staff of the Feinberg School in celebrating 150 years of excellence.

Thanks to their fine work and their lasting commitment to the highest standards of medical care, thousands of lives have been saved.

Countless patients have received high-quality treatment from some of the most skilled caregivers in the medical profession.

At the same time, the Feinberg School has prepared the next generation of leaders, innovators, and researchers, who will shape the course of healthcare in this country for generations to come.

I would ask my colleagues to join with me in celebrating the hundred and fiftieth anniversary of this outstanding institution, which is located in my home state of Illinois.

Along with my good friend Senator DURBIN, I am proud to offer a Senate Resolution to mark this momentous occasion, and to shine a spotlight on one of the finest medical schools in the United States.

As we are all well aware, health care is one of the most important issues in America today.

But quite apart from the contentious debate that continues to capture so much national attention, it is vital to recognize the exemplary work of institutions such as this one.

I invite my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to come together to recognize the tremendous track record of the Feinberg School of Medicine, and their continuing contributions to health care services.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3302. Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. GREGG) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 3299 proposed by Mr. BAUCUS (for Mr. REID) to the joint resolution H.J. Res. 45, Official Title Not Available.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 3302.** Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. GREGG) proposed an amend-

ment to amendment SA 3299 proposed by Mr. BAUCUS (for Mr. REID) to the joint resolution H.J. Res. 45, Official Title Not Available; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. . . . BIPARTISAN TASK FORCE FOR RESPONSIBLE FISCAL ACTION ACT OF 2010.**

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the ‘‘Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action Act of 2010’’.

(b) **ESTABLISHMENT OF TASK FORCE.**—Title III of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 631 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

‘‘ESTABLISHMENT OF TASK FORCE FOR RESPONSIBLE FISCAL ACTION

‘‘SEC. 316. (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

‘‘(1) **TASK FORCE.**—The term ‘Task Force’ means the Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action established under subsection (b)(1).

‘‘(2) **TASK FORCE BILL.**—The term ‘Task Force bill’ means a bill consisting of the proposed legislative language of the Task Force recommended under subsection (b)(3)(B) and introduced under subsection (e)(1).

‘‘(3) **FISCAL IMBALANCE.**—The term ‘fiscal imbalance’ means the gap between the projected revenues and expenditures of the Federal Government.

‘‘(b) **ESTABLISHMENT OF TASK FORCE.**—

‘‘(1) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established in the legislative branch a task force to be known as the ‘Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action’.

‘‘(2) **PURPOSES.**—

‘‘(A) **REVIEW.**—The Task Force shall review the fiscal imbalance of the Federal Government, including—

‘‘(i) analyses of projected Federal expenditures;

‘‘(ii) analyses of projected Federal revenues; and

‘‘(iii) analyses of the current and long-term actuarial financial condition of the Federal Government.

‘‘(B) **IDENTIFY FACTORS.**—The Task Force shall identify factors that affect the long-term fiscal imbalance of the Federal Government.

‘‘(C) **ANALYZE POTENTIAL COURSES OF ACTION.**—The Task Force shall analyze potential courses of action to address factors that affect the long-term fiscal imbalance of the Federal Government.

‘‘(D) **PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE.**—The Task Force shall provide recommendations and legislative language that will significantly improve the long-term fiscal imbalance of the Federal Government, which—

‘‘(i) may include recommendations addressing—

‘‘(I) Federal expenditures;

‘‘(II) Federal revenues; and

‘‘(III) the current and long-term actuarial financial condition of the Federal Government; and

‘‘(ii) may not make recommendations modifying the Standing Rules of the Senate.

‘‘(3) **DUTIES.**—

‘‘(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The Task Force shall address the Nation’s long-term fiscal imbalances, consistent with the purposes described in paragraph (2), and shall submit the report and recommendations required under subparagraph (B).

‘‘(B) **REPORT, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE.**—

‘‘(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Not earlier than November 3, 2010, and not later than November 9, 2010, the Task Force shall vote on a report that contains—

‘‘(I) a detailed statement of the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Task Force;