

(4) encourages all people in the United States and interested groups to support National Dystonia Awareness Month through various appropriate ceremonies and activities—

(A) to promote public awareness of dystonia; and

(B) to foster the understanding of the impact of dystonia on patients and their families.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 602—SUPPORTING THE INCLUSION AND MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT OF LATINOS IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION EFFORTS**

Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. REID, Mr. UDALL, Mr. COONS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. HELLER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

S. RES. 602

Whereas Latinos are the largest ethnic group in the United States, with more than 56,600,000 Latinos making up 17.6 percent of the population of the United States;

Whereas the Latino community is projected to grow to nearly ¼ of the population of the United States by 2050;

Whereas Latinos should have greater representation in the decisionmaking process relating to, and management of, public land;

Whereas Latino conservation initiatives break down barriers, improve access to public land, and encourage outreach to, and new opportunities for, the Latino community to use public land;

Whereas Latino conservation efforts can range from outdoor activities, such as hiking and kayaking, to educational activities and community gatherings;

Whereas increased access to outdoor recreation opportunities encourages Latino families and youth to engage with the outdoors and demonstrate the commitment of the Latino families and youth to conservation;

Whereas each person should have the opportunity to discover his or her history, culture, and heritage by exploring and experiencing the public land of the United States;

Whereas access to green spaces provides for healthier and more active lifestyles, which helps address numerous health disparity issues facing the Latino community, such as diabetes, obesity, and cardiovascular disease;

Whereas the participation of Latinos in conservation efforts can encourage the interest and involvement of Latinos in careers in conservation;

Whereas the people of the United States must ensure that the public land and natural surroundings of the United States are protected for future generations; and

Whereas the members of the largest ethnic group in the United States, as the environmental stewards of tomorrow, will play a significant role in securing the future success and preservation of the public land of the United States, especially as that group continues to grow; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the role of Latinos in protecting and preserving the land, water, and wildlife of the United States;

(2) supports the inclusion and meaningful engagement of Latinos in environmental protection and conservation efforts; and

(3) encourages Latinos in the United States to participate in ceremonies, activities, and

programs that engage the community in the outdoors and bring awareness to the importance of conservation.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 603—DESIGNATING THE WEEK BEGINNING ON THE FIRST FRIDAY AFTER THANKSGIVING IN 2016 AS “NATIONAL ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS WEEK”**

Mr. ISAKSON (for himself, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. PERDUE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 603

Whereas 70 percent of all consumer spending in the United States is conducted via electronic payments;

Whereas electronic payments play a central role in promoting prosperity, commerce, and economic growth in the United States;

Whereas electronic payments involve purchases with credit, debit, and prepaid accounts, either in-store using a card or connected device or online;

Whereas payments companies in the United States enable individuals to gain access to rapid, convenient, and secure financial payments not otherwise available without electronic payments;

Whereas payments and technology companies in the United States are continually developing and deploying new, innovative electronic payments technologies to make commerce more secure, faster, accessible, and efficient to protect against fraud;

Whereas innovative electronic payments technologies support small businesses in the United States by providing secure, faster, accessible, and efficient solutions;

Whereas electronic payments are used by more than 8,000,000 merchants in the United States and the 1,200,000,000 payment cards in circulation allow individuals to conduct electronic payments through those merchants and with one another;

Whereas the value of electronic payments made on a mobile device was estimated to increase by 210 percent in 2016;

Whereas electronic payments companies processed more than \$5,000,000,000,000 in payments in 2015, and electronic payments are projected to increase to \$7,000,000,000,000 in 2017;

Whereas holiday spending accounted for nearly 20 percent of retail sales during 2015, and nearly 70 percent of all holiday sales are conducted via electronic payments;

Whereas, on Black Friday in 2015, for the first time more individuals in the United States shopped online than in retail stores, which could not have been possible without electronic payments companies;

Whereas the 7-day period after Thanksgiving accounted for more than 6.5 percent of electronic payments for the final quarter of 2015, and electronic payments totaled \$35,000,000,000 during that 7-day period;

Whereas the designation of National Electronic Payments Week is especially important to the electronic payments industry because it marks the start of the holiday season and includes Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, Cyber Monday, and Giving Tuesday; and

Whereas electronic payments play an integral role for consumers and merchants in the transfer of goods and services not only during the holiday season, but also throughout the year; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) designates the week beginning on the first Friday after Thanksgiving in 2016 as “National Electronic Payments Week”;

(2) recognizes the significant contributions and great importance of electronic payments and the advantages electronic payments provide to consumers, merchants, small businesses, and the economy of the United States as a whole;

(3) appreciates the significant role that electronic payments play in the global marketplace;

(4) acknowledges the growth of electronic payments domestically and abroad; and

(5) desires to foster an environment that encourages continued innovation and enhanced security in electronic payments.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 604—EX-PRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF NOVEMBER 2016 AS “NATIONAL BLADDER HEALTH MONTH”**

Mr. KIRK submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 604

Whereas tens of millions of people in the United States are affected by bladder diseases and conditions, including urinary incontinence, overactive bladder, underactive bladder, interstitial cystitis, nocturia, urinary tract infections, bladder cancer, urotrauma, and neurogenic bladder;

Whereas bladder diseases and conditions have a significant impact on health and quality of life, contributing to decreased physical activity (which can increase obesity levels and the risk of diabetes and cardiovascular disease), depression, social isolation, falls, sexual dysfunction, loss of self-esteem, hospitalizations, nursing home admissions, and even death;

Whereas bladder diseases and conditions result in costs to the United States economy estimated at more than \$70,000,000,000 annually;

Whereas bladder problems are highly stigmatized, and open dialogue generated by National Bladder Health Month can reduce stigma and empower providers and patients to have much-needed conversations about bladder health;

Whereas medical and behavioral research to better understand and maintain bladder health and treat bladder diseases is critically needed yet poorly recognized;

Whereas bladder diseases and conditions are common in military veterans;

Whereas more than 1 in 10 military service members injured in Afghanistan and Iraq have urotrauma injuries (damage to the urinary tract or reproductive organs);

Whereas 1 in 3 younger women veterans report overactive bladder, stress urinary incontinence, and painful bladder symptoms;

Whereas more than ¼ of veterans with spinal cord injuries suffer from neurogenic bladder;

Whereas bladder cancer is the fourth most commonly diagnosed cancer among Veterans Affairs Health System patients;

Whereas preventative campaigns and measures for diseases and conditions that are as extensive and expensive as bladder diseases and conditions are routine and accepted in common medical, societal, and public health practice, yet no preventative campaign or measure exists in a large, systematic fashion for bladder health; and

Whereas November 2016 is an appropriate month to designate as “National Bladder Health Month” since bladder health awareness has been promoted in November for more than 20 years; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate supports the designation of November 2016 as “National Bladder Health Month”.

SENATE RESOLUTION 605—  
HONORING ARNOLD PALMER

Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. NELSON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 605

Whereas Arnold Palmer was one of the most popular professional athletes of all time, known affectionately as “The King” for his civility, modesty, and commitment to public service;

Whereas Palmer, with his charming personality and approachability, popularized the game of golf, introducing millions of people in the United States to the sport, many of whom became part of “Arnie’s Army”, a legion of fans worldwide;

Whereas Palmer was born in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, a small steel town at the western base of the Allegheny Mountains, east of Pittsburgh;

Whereas Palmer learned the game of golf at Latrobe Country Club, where his father Milfred “Deacon” Palmer served as the club professional and groundskeeper;

Whereas Palmer lived in his hometown for his entire life, where he stayed engaged in his community;

Whereas Palmer was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, a successful businessman, and a humanitarian;

Whereas Palmer opened the Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve, dedicated to the memory of his late wife, on the grounds adjacent to St. Vincent College;

Whereas Palmer served as honorary National Chairman of the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation for 20 years;

Whereas Palmer owned the Bay Hill Club and Lodge in Orlando, Florida, which hosts the Arnold Palmer Invitational to raise funds to benefit the Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women and Babies and the Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children, both of which are also located in Orlando, Florida;

Whereas Palmer was a prostate cancer survivor and raised funds to support the Arnold Palmer Pavilion, a cancer center near Latrobe, Pennsylvania;

Whereas Palmer was an amateur aviator who helped develop the airport in his beloved hometown and served on the Westmoreland County Airport Authority, which renamed the airport in Latrobe in honor of Palmer in 1999;

Whereas Palmer served his country for 3 years in the United States Coast Guard;

Whereas Palmer won 92 tournaments, including 7 major championships;

Whereas Palmer played in the Masters Tournament 48 times, winning in 1958, 1960, 1962, and 1964;

Whereas, in 2004, Palmer received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President George W. Bush;

Whereas Palmer was presented the Congressional Gold Medal on September 12, 2012, in recognition of his service to the United States in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf; and

Whereas Palmer has received numerous other honors for his accomplishments in golf and his service to his community: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) honors the life and legacy of Arnold Palmer for his philanthropy, humanitarianism, and significant contributions to the sport of golf; and

(2) expresses its deepest sympathies and condolences to the family of Arnold Palmer on his death.

SENATE RESOLUTION 606—HONORING THE MEMORIES AND LEGACIES OF THE 3 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE ATTACK ON JULY 17, 2016, IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, CONDEMNING THAT ATTACK, AND RECOGNIZING THE HEROISM OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AND FIRST RESPONDERS

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COTTON, Mr. HATCH, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. DAINES, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. LANKFORD) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 606

Whereas, on July 17, 2016, a lone gunman in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, ambushed and opened fire on law enforcement personnel, killing 3 Baton Rouge law enforcement officers and wounding 3 additional officers at Benny’s Car Wash and Oil Change;

Whereas Corporal Montrell Jackson, a 10-year veteran of the Baton Rouge Police Department who was a husband, father, brother, and son and who loved his career and serving his community, was killed in the attack;

Whereas Deputy Brad Garafola, a 24-year veteran of the East Baton Rouge Sheriff’s Office and a beloved husband, father, and son who touched the lives of many individuals during his more than 2 decades of faithful service, was killed in the attack;

Whereas Officer Matthew Gerald, who honorably served the United States as a member of United States Marine Corps and the United States Army before joining the Baton Rouge Police Department in 2015, was killed in the attack;

Whereas 3 other Baton Rouge law enforcement officers were injured during this senseless attack;

Whereas this attack took place with the intention of targeting law enforcement officers;

Whereas Federal, State, and local law enforcement personnel performed their duties admirably during the attack and risk their lives every day to ensure the safety of the people of Baton Rouge; and

Whereas the people of the United States stand united with the community of Baton Rouge and the families, friends, and loved ones of the victims to support all of those individuals affected by the attack and to pray for healing and peace: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) condemns the attack of July 17, 2016, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana;

(2) honors the memory of the Baton Rouge law enforcement officers who lost their lives;

(3) recognizes the bravery, heroism, and dedication by Federal, State, and local law enforcement officials, emergency medical responders, and all of those individuals who offered support and assistance;

(4) offers sincere condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones of the victims;

(5) expresses hope that each individual who was wounded in the attack makes a full recovery; and

(6) stands united against violence and in support of those individuals who work every day to protect the communities of the United States and keep the United States safe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 607—RECOGNIZING THE NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY ON ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BURR, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services:

S. RES. 607

Whereas, in an effort to improve the imagery intelligence, mapping, and geodesy capabilities of the United States, the National Imagery and Mapping Agency (in this preamble referred to as “NIMA”), the predecessor of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (in this preamble referred to as the “NGA”), was founded on October 1, 1996, as a result of President William Jefferson Clinton signing into law the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997 (Public Law 104-201; 110 Stat. 2422), which authorized the establishment of NIMA;

Whereas the NGA derives from legacy agencies, including the Defense Mapping Agency, the National Photographic Interpretation Center, the Defense Airborne Reconnaissance Office, the Central Imagery Office, and the Defense Dissemination Program Office, that played vital roles in the defense of the United States in conflicts dating back to World War II and contributed to the discipline of geospatial intelligence (in this preamble referred to as “GEOINT”) through imagery and mapping production;

Whereas the NGA has, throughout its 20-year history, provided GEOINT support to United States policy makers and military commanders in both war and peacetime during significant national security and natural disaster events, including—

- (1) the operations in the Balkans;
- (2) the response to Hurricane Katrina;
- (3) the operation that resulted in the killing of former al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden;
- (4) operations against state-sponsored terrorist organizations;
- (5) the humanitarian assistance responses to earthquakes in Haiti and Japan; and
- (6) the continued critical mission support to members of the Armed Forces in the Middle East;

Whereas, with military and civilian employees serving at the NGA headquarters in Springfield, Virginia, the NGA West Campus in St. Louis, Missouri, and additional locations throughout the United States, and with personnel deployed worldwide in more than 200 locations in 17 countries, the NGA produces timely mapping, charting, geodesy, and intelligence products to warfighters, first responders, civil authorities, policy makers, and the maritime and aviation communities;

Whereas the NGA motto describes the many missions that were combined 20 years ago upon the creation of the NGA, “Know the Earth, show the way, and understand the world”;

Whereas the NGA is the primary organization responsible for developing, maintaining, and enhancing the World Geodetic System 84 reference frame, the foundation for all of the Positioning, Navigation, and Timing systems of the Department of Defense, including the