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# S. RES. 31

Commemorating the 110th anniversary of the United States Army Nurse Corps.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 27, 2011

Mr. REID (for Mr. INOUE (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. COCHRAN)) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Commemorating the 110th anniversary of the United States Army Nurse Corps.

Whereas throughout the history of the United States, nurses have served the United States Armed Forces during times of peace and war;

Whereas the establishment of the United States Army Nurse Corps (referred to in this preamble as the “Army Nurse Corps”), a permanent nursing corps, was authorized under section 19 of the Act of February 2, 1901 (31 Stat. 753, chapter 192);

Whereas for the 110 years since its establishment, the Army Nurse Corps has served with distinction at home and abroad;

Whereas more than 21,000 Army nurses served in World War I, providing care in evacuation, mobile surgical hospitals, and on hospital trains and transport ships;

Whereas in World War II, more than 57,000 Army nurses served with distinction, including 67 nurses who were captured in the Philippines and held as prisoners of war for 3 years before their liberation in February 1945;

Whereas Army nurses have served with the United States Army in hostilities in Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, Kuwait, and Somalia;

Whereas Army nurses have served shoulder to shoulder with the United States Army for more than 9 years in Afghanistan and 7 years in Iraq;

Whereas as of the date of agreement to this resolution, nurses in the Army Reserve, the Army National Guard, and the Regular Army are deployed in more than 15 countries;

Whereas the motto of Army nurses, “Embrace the Past, Engage the Present, Envision the Future”, symbolizes the bond of the Army Nurse Corps to its rich history as well as its commitment to the care of future generations of Americans;

Whereas Army nurses, who selflessly serve the United States, will continue to serve the United States Army, regardless of the cause, location, or magnitude of future battles; and

Whereas the Army Nurse Corps is committed to providing quality care to the United States Army during times of peace and war, at any time and in any place: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved*, That the Senate—

1           (1) recognizes the valor, commitment, and sac-  
2           rifice that United States Army Nurse Corps nurses  
3           have made throughout the history of the United  
4           States;

5           (2) commends the United States Army Nurse  
6           Corps for 110 years of selfless service; and

7           (3) calls upon the people of the United States  
8           to observe that anniversary with appropriate cere-  
9           monies and activities.

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