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# S. RES. 89

Relating to the death of Frank W. Buckles, the longest surviving United States veteran of the First World War.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 3, 2011

Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. KERRY, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Relating to the death of Frank W. Buckles, the longest surviving United States veteran of the First World War.

Whereas Frank Woodruff Buckles is the last known American World War I veteran, who passed away on February 27, 2011, at the age of 110, and represents his generation of veterans;

Whereas America's support of Great Britain, France, Belgium, and its other allies in World War I marked the first time in the Nation's history that American soldiers went abroad in defense of liberty against foreign aggression, and it marked the true beginning of the "American century";

Whereas more than 4,000,000 men and women from the United States served in uniform during World War I, among them 2 future presidents, Harry S. Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower;

Whereas 2,000,000 individuals from the United States served overseas during World War I, including 200,000 naval personnel who served on the seas;

Whereas the United States suffered 375,000 casualties during World War I, including 116,516 deaths;

Whereas the events of 1914 through 1918 shaped the world, the United States, and the lives of millions of people in countless ways; and

Whereas Frank Woodruff Buckles is the last veteran to represent the extraordinary legacy of the World War I veterans: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That—

2               (1) the Senate recognizes the historic contribu-  
3       tions of all United States veterans who served in the  
4       First World War; and

5               (2) when the Senate adjourns today, it stand  
6       adjourned as a further mark of respect to the mem-  
7       ory of Frank W. Buckles, the longest surviving  
8       United States veteran of the First World War.

9       SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to  
10   transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the family  
11   of the deceased.

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