

agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to the measure be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 112) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 112

Whereas the Pennsylvania State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (referred to in this preamble as “THON”) is the largest student-run philanthropy in the world, with 700 dancers, more than 300 supporting organizations, and more than 15,000 volunteers involved in the annual event;

Whereas student volunteers at the Pennsylvania State University annually collect money and dance for 46 hours straight at the Bryce Jordan Center for THON, bringing energy and excitement to campus for a mission to conquer cancer and awareness about the disease to thousands of individuals;

Whereas all THON activities support the mission of the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital, which provides financial and emotional support to pediatric cancer patients and their families and funds cancer research;

Whereas each year, THON is the single largest donor to the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital, having raised more than \$69,000,000 since 1977, when the 2 organizations first became affiliated;

Whereas in 2011, THON set a new fundraising record of \$9,563,016.09, besting the previous record of \$7,838,054.36, which was set in 2010;

Whereas THON has helped more than 2,000 families through the Four Diamonds Fund, is currently helping to build a new Pediatric Cancer Pavilion at Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital, and has helped support pediatric cancer research that has caused some pediatric cancer survival rates to increase to nearly 90 percent; and

Whereas THON has inspired similar events and organizations across the United States, including at high schools and institutions of higher education, and continues to encourage students across the United States to volunteer and stay involved in great charitable causes in their community: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Pennsylvania State University IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (“THON”) on its continued success in support of the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital; and

(2) commends the Pennsylvania State University students, volunteers, and supporting organizations for their hard work putting together another recordbreaking THON.

NATIONAL 9-1-1 EDUCATION MONTH

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 118.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 118) designating April 2011 as “National 9-1-1 Education Month.”

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 118) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 118

Whereas 9-1-1 is nationally recognized as the number to call in an emergency to receive immediate help from police, fire, emergency medical services, or other appropriate emergency response entities;

Whereas in 1967, the President’s Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice recommended that “a single number should be established” nationwide for reporting emergency situations, and other Federal Government agencies and various governmental officials also supported and encouraged the recommendation;

Whereas in 1968 the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T) announced that it would establish the digits 9-1-1 as the emergency code throughout the United States;

Whereas 9-1-1 was designated by Congress as the national emergency call number under the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-81);

Whereas section 102 of the ENHANCE 911 Act of 2004 (47 U.S.C. 942 note) declared an enhanced 9-1-1 system to be “a high national priority” and part of “our Nation’s homeland security and public safety”;

Whereas it is important that policy makers at all levels of government understand the importance of 9-1-1, how the system works today, and the steps that are needed to modernize the 9-1-1 system;

Whereas the 9-1-1 system is the connection between the public and the emergency response system in the United States and is often the first place emergencies of all magnitudes are reported, making 9-1-1 a significant homeland security asset;

Whereas more than 6,000 9-1-1 public safety answering points serve more than 3,000 counties and parishes throughout the United States;

Whereas dispatchers at public safety answering points answer more than 200,000,000 9-1-1 calls each year in the United States;

Whereas a growing number of 9-1-1 calls are made using wireless and Internet Protocol-based communications services;

Whereas a growing segment of the population, including the deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, and individuals with speech disabilities are increasingly communicating with nontraditional text, video, and instant messaging communications services and expect those services to be able to connect directly to 9-1-1;

Whereas the growth and variety of means of communication, including mobile and Internet Protocol-based systems, impose challenges for accessing 9-1-1 and implementing an enhanced 9-1-1 system and require increased education and awareness about the capabilities of different means of communication;

Whereas the ability to communicate through voice, text, data, and video conferencing provides an opportunity for the Na-

tion’s 9-1-1 system to adopt next generation applications and services, greatly enhancing the capabilities of 9-1-1 services;

Whereas numerous other “N-1-1” and 800 number services exist for non-emergency situations, including 2-1-1, 3-1-1, 5-1-1, 7-1-1, 8-1-1, poison control centers, and mental health hotlines, and the public needs to be educated about when to use such services in addition to, or instead of, 9-1-1;

Whereas international visitors and immigrants make up an increasing percentage of the population of the United States each year, and visitors and immigrants may have limited knowledge of our emergency calling system;

Whereas people of all ages use 9-1-1 and it is critical to educate people on the proper use of 9-1-1;

Whereas senior citizens are at high risk for needing to call 9-1-1 and many senior citizens are learning to use new technology;

Whereas thousands of 9-1-1 calls are made each year by children who are properly trained in the use of 9-1-1, which saves lives and underscores the critical importance of training children about 9-1-1 early in life;

Whereas the 9-1-1 system is often misused, such as through the placement of prank and non-emergency calls;

Whereas misuse of the 9-1-1 system results in costly and inefficient use of 9-1-1 and emergency response resources, and such misuse needs to be reduced;

Whereas parents, teachers, and caregivers must be educated about 9-1-1 in order to play an active role in 9-1-1 education for children;

Whereas there are many avenues for 9-1-1 public education, including safety fairs, school presentations, libraries, churches, businesses, public safety answering point tours or open houses, civic organizations, and senior citizen centers;

Whereas parents, teachers, and the National Parent Teacher Association contribute significantly to the goal of educating children about the importance of 9-1-1 through targeted outreach efforts to public and private schools;

Whereas the United States should strive to host at least 1 annual educational event regarding the proper use of 9-1-1 in every school in the Nation;

Whereas the people of the United States deserve the best education regarding the use of 9-1-1; and

Whereas programs to promote proper use of 9-1-1 during “National 9-1-1 Education Month” may include—

(1) public awareness events, such as conferences and media outreach;

(2) training activities for businesses, parents, teachers, school administrators, and other caregivers;

(3) educational events in schools and other appropriate venues; and

(4) production and distribution of information about the 9-1-1 system, designed to educate people of all ages on the importance and proper use of 9-1-1: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates April 2011 as “National 9-1-1 Education Month”; and

(2) urges Government officials, parents, teachers, school administrators, caregivers, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and the people of the United States to observe “National 9-1-1 Education Month” with appropriate ceremonies, training events, and activities.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2011

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday,

March 31; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate proceed to a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the first hour equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the majority controlling the first 30 minutes and the Republicans controlling the second 30 minutes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I apologize to everyone, including the Presiding Officer, for having to wait, but there was an important meeting with a number of Senators going on in the Vice President's office, and I had to have those Senators there before I could determine that we were not to do anything more tonight. So I apologize to everyone for the downtime.

Mr. President, we are working to reach an agreement regarding amendments to the small business jobs bill. Senators will be notified when votes are scheduled. I spoke to Senator MCCONNELL earlier today. We know we have some problems to work through, and we will continue to try to do that tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:43 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, March 31, 2011, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

HENRY S. ENSHER, OF CALIFORNIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA.

KENNETH J. FAIRFAX, OF KENTUCKY, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

DEEPA GUPTA, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 3, 2016. (NEW POSITION)

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant colonel

TRAVIS R. ADAMS
MATTHEW D. ALBRIGHT
LISA M. BADER
KENNETH J. BARTON
CHRISTIE L. BARTON
BRETT L. BISHOP
JULIE A. BLAKEMAN
BRIAN G. BLALOCK

SAMANTHA E. BLANCHARD
JOHN C. BOWERS, JR.
MATT J. COWAN
CHRISTOPHER M. CUTLER
ROBERT M. ENINGER
VINCENT D. FALLS
MICHAEL J. FEA
FRANK M. FISCHER
CELENE A. FYFFE
TIMOTHY A. GAMEROS
NISARA SUTHUN GRANADO
JULIE V. GULL
MICHAEL R. HOBSON
FREEMAN HOLIFIELD, JR.
ANGELA M. HUDSON
BRIDGET M. JACKSONOAKLEY
ANTHONY J. JARECKE
RODNEY M. JORSTAD
GLENN L. LAIRD
JASON J. LENNEN
MICHELLE R. LOPER
DANIEL J. LOVELESS
ALICIA A. MATTESON
SHANNON S. MCDONALD
TROY E. MCGILL
DEANNA S. MEDINA
ROBIN E. MITCHELL
HEATHER A. NELSON
RENA A. NICHOLAS
PAMELA L. NOVY
ROBERT K. POHL, JR.
PATRICK A. POHLE
MARK A. POMERINKE
DAVID L. PUGH
GERARDO RAMOS
STANLEY M. SEARCY
JESSICA R. SPITLER
BERNADETTE M. STEELE
DAVID A. TORRES
WENDY J. TRAVIS
ROBERT J. VANECEK
DAVID G. WATSON
KEITH R. WILSON
ILAINA M. WINGLER

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To be major

FREDERICK C. ABAN
MICHAEL B. AKINS
JENNIFER L. BAKER
SARAH B. BAKER
REN E. BEDELL
RICARDO M. BENAVIDES
BRIAN R. BLANCHARD
LETICIA BLAND
BRYAN W. BOVITZ
JENNIFER L. BRADLEY
MAJELLA G. BROWN
RYAN L. BUHITE
MICHAEL P. CALNICEAN
ALICIA M. CAPPS
MICHAEL J. CERANOWSKI
KERRY L. CIOLEK
WILLIAM L. CLARKSON II
MATTHEW A. CLUGSTON
CHERYL L. CONAT
MARY J. CRUMLEY
PATRICK A. CUTTER
JARED H. DAHLE
LUANNE DANES
RYAN C. DANLEY
TIMOTHY J. DAVIS
MONA DIONISIONELSON
ALFRED E. DOBY III
CHRISTINA V. ENCINA
EMILY F. ESCHBACHER
KEVIN R. FISCHER
KENDRA S. FLETCHER
TRINETTE FLOWERSTORRES
JOEL T. FOSTER
JONATHAN D. FRANK
SAUL J. FREEDMAN
MARCUS T. GRANT
ERIC A. GREEN
SARAH K. GREEN
JOSHUA M. HANEY
JAMES E. HAY
GRETCHEN L. HAYWOOD
THOMAS J. HEIER
CHUCK HENDERSON
KIMBERLY M. HIGHLAND
DOREEN M. HINSZ
CRAIG A. HOLDER
MICHAEL W. HORENZIAK
PHILLIP M. HOWELL
LISA M. HOYT
DAVID R. JARNOT
JENNIFER N. JOHNSON
KATHRYN E. KANZLER
VICTORIA M. KEITH
JUDY C. KELLY
TODD J. KUHNWALD
AARON W. LAMBERT
DONNA M. LAULO
WON HEE T. LEE
RHIANNON MARIE LEUTNER
TAK L. LI
TODD A. LIGMAN
GLENN M. LITTLE, JR.
LANCE M. MABRY
KYLIE C. MACLELLAN
ISAIAH D. MANGAULT
TRACY L. MARKLE
SCOTT C. MARTIN

EMILY M. MAYFIELD
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DANIEL B. MICHEL
JEREMY M. MINITER
SIDDIG A. MIRGHANI
LISA J. MULL
ANTHONY V. MURPHY
BRIANNE D. NEWMAN
ROBERT V. NIEWOONDER
JOAQUIN C. OROZCO
KRIS A. OSTROWSKI
CHRISTINA PEACE
ALEJANDRO RAMOS
RICHARD V. RAY
JASON RAY ROGERS
JEFFREY RAYMOND M. SABIDO
SHARON SAMAYOA
STEVEN J. SAMSON
MICHAEL T. SAPP
ERNEST L. SCOTT
ISSAM SEBAIHI
CHARNELL E. SMITH
EDWARD L. SMITH
SHAUNA G. SPERRY
NICOLE L. STEINERAPPALARDO
CARLA A. STEPHANCOX
MARC P. SYLVANDER
APRIL J. TAYLOR
SAMUEL B. TOBLER
ETHEL D. TOMASI
ROBERT E. TONER III
THO N. TRAN
JOSEPH M. UZPEN
ANDREW J. WAGNER
JEFFREY D. WALKER
WESLEY W. WALKER
EDWARD B. WALTERS
DAVID A. WELCH
DORIAN R. WILLIAMS
HEATH S. WOODMAN
CATHERINE L. WYNN

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To be colonel

JAY O. AANRUD
JAMES M. ABATTI
DEREK A. ABEYTA
EDWARD ACKERMAN
TODD E. ACKERMAN
CLOYCE J. ADAMS
MICHAEL E. ADDERLEY
CRAIG ALLTON
DAVID S. ANDRUS
SCOTT A. ARCURI
JASON R. ARMAGOST
RUSSELL L. ARMSTRONG
CHARLES F. ARNOLD, JR.
JOSEPH ATKINS
ELISABETH S. AULD
DAVID E. BACOT
KENNETH W. BAILEY
PETER K. BAILEY
THOMAS E. BAILEY
JOHN P. BAKER
WARREN F. BARLOW
CHRISTOPHER C. BARNETT
PAUL K. BARNEY
GREG A. BARNHART
FRANK BATTISTELLI
BRIEN J. BAUDE
KRIS A. BAUMAN
EUGENE W. BECKER
KEL A. BEDICS
ROBERT L. BEHNKEN
CHERYL J. BEINEKE
ALMAR H. K. BELK
JAMES BELL
LANE M. BENEFIELD
MIKE BENSON
PETER M. BILODEAU
ROBERT K. BLAG
DANIEL E. BLAKE, JR.
FREDERICK H. BOEHM
BRIAN C. BOHANNON
DAVID B. BOSKO
GENTRY W. BOSWELL
JOEL D. BOSWELL
MARK E. BOWEN
KENNETH B. BOWLING
NANCY M. BOZZER
NOEL D. BRADFORD
MARK P. BRAISTED
MIKE M. BRANTLEY
ANDRE J. BRIERE
RAYMOND E. BRIGGS, JR.
ROBERT J. BRISSON
CHRISTOPHER B. BROOKS
CHARLES E. BROWN, JR.
JASON M. BROWN
MARK A. BROWN
DAVID W. BRUCE
ROBERT J. BRUST
HAROLD D. BUGADO
DAVID S. BUNZ
HEATHER L. BUONO
STEVEN C. BURGH
LLOYD A. BUZZELL
DAVID M. CADE
STEVEN E. CAHANIN
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MICHAEL E. CALTA
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