

(Mr. YOUNG) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. 3860, a bill to establish a grant program to provide assistance to local governments with fewer than 200 law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.

S. 3871

At the request of Mr. MARSHALL, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3871, a bill to provide a means for Congress to prevent an organization's designation as a foreign terrorist organization from being revoked by the Secretary of State.

S. 3950

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3950, a bill to establish the Baltic Security and Economic Enhancement Initiative for the purpose of increasing security and economic ties with the Baltic countries and to establish the Baltic Security Initiative for the purpose of deepening security cooperation with the Baltic countries, and for other purposes.

S. 4004

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4004, a bill to alter requirements associated with small business loan data collection, and for other purposes.

S. 4007

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4007, a bill to require the Attorney General to propose a program for making treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder and acute stress disorder available to public safety officers, and for other purposes.

S. 4059

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4059, a bill to require the Secretary of Defense to replace equipment provided to Ukraine by certain member countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

S.J. RES. 43

At the request of Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 43, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services relating to "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Updating Payment Parameters, Section 1332 Waiver Implementing Regulations, and Improving Health Insurance Markets for 2022 and Beyond".

S. RES. 624

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MARSHALL) was added as a cosponsor of

S. Res. 624, a resolution supporting the mission and goals of National Fentanyl Awareness Day in 2022, including increasing individual and public awareness of the impact of fake or counterfeit fentanyl pills on families and young people.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. BRAUN, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 4179. A bill to establish the Space National Guard; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I rise to speak in support of the Space National Guard Establishment Act of 2021, which Senator RUBIO and I introduced today. I thank Senator RUBIO along with our 10 bipartisan cosponsors for joining me on this important bill.

When the Space Force was established in 2019, Active-Duty space units were moved out of the Air Force and into the new Space Force, but National Guard space units were left behind in the Air National Guard under the Air Force.

Active-Duty and Guard units performing space missions are supposed to work together seamlessly, but they cannot do so if we leave them in separate services. Today, we have 16 Air National Guard units with 1,000 members performing space missions in a different service than their Active-Duty counterparts.

This misalignment creates a number of problems. It inhibits the efficient and consistent provision of funding, equipment, talent, education, and training to our space units.

This disconnect makes mobilization more complicated and separates them with different service processes and cultures. This is not how to construct a cohesive force, and if Congress is going to create a Space Force, then Congress should complete the job.

The current misalignment is unsustainable. If it is not repaired, then National Guard units performing the space mission will wither on the vine. Those Air National Guard units will eventually be forced to give up the space mission and undertake a costly transition to another mission, or those units will be dissolved.

This bill would shift our National Guard units performing space missions from the Air National Guard, which is part of the Air Force, to a Space National Guard, which would fall under the Space Force. This bill does not authorize new construction, bases, or personnel. It is a realignment, not an expansion. Future growth will be determined by mission needs as determined by the Pentagon, the administration, and Congress.

This bill, which already has a companion in the House, is the best way to

preserve the talent and resources found in the National Guard's space enterprise. We have invested a great deal in the training and experience held by the Guard's space professionals. Many of them hold civilian jobs with leading-edge companies in relevant industries, and they put their experience to work for the Nation and their States every time they put on their uniform. We must not leave a bureaucratic wall between the Space Force and the National Guard that will degrade our space capabilities.

Just as important, the loss of these units would rob our Governors of critical National Guard personnel and resources they need to respond to disasters at home.

In sum, this bill will fix a major disconnect in our Nation's space enterprise by putting our National Guard space units in the same service as their Active-Duty counterparts. This is important for our Nation and for those that rely on the National Guard in our States.

I hope my colleagues will join me in support of this bill.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 626—SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL NURSES WEEK, TO BE OBSERVED FROM MAY 6 THROUGH MAY 12, 2022

Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. DAINES, Ms. SMITH, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. KELLY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mrs. BLACKBURN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 626

Whereas, beginning in 1991, National Nurses Week has been celebrated annually from May 6, also known as "National Recognition Day for Nurses", through May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing;

Whereas National Nurses Week is a time of year to reflect on the important contributions that nurses make to provide safe, high-quality health care;

Whereas nurses serve on the front lines, risking their lives treating the injured and sick during wartime, natural disasters, and public health emergencies, including the COVID-19 pandemic;

Whereas nurses are known to be patient advocates, acting to protect the lives of individuals under their care;

Whereas nurses represent the largest single component of the health care profession, with an estimated population of more than 4,000,000 registered nurses in the United States;

Whereas nurses are leading in the delivery of quality care in a transformed health care

system that improves patient outcomes and safety;

Whereas the Future of Nursing report of the Institute of Medicine has highlighted the need for the nursing profession to meet the call for leadership in a team-based delivery model;

Whereas, when nurse staffing levels increase, the risk of patient complications and lengthy hospital stays decreases, resulting in cost savings;

Whereas nurses are experienced researchers, and the work of nurses encompasses a wide scope of scientific inquiry, including clinical research, health systems and outcomes research, and nursing education research;

Whereas nurses provide care that is sensitive to the cultures and customs of individuals across the United States;

Whereas nurses are well-positioned to provide leadership to eliminate health care disparities that exist in the United States;

Whereas nurses are the cornerstone of the public health infrastructure, promoting healthy lifestyles and educating communities on disease prevention and health promotion;

Whereas nurses help inform, educate, and work closely with legislators to improve—

(1) the education, retention, recruitment, and practice of all nurses; and

(2) the health and safety of the patients for whom the nurses care;

Whereas there is a need—

(1) to strengthen nursing workforce development programs at all levels, including the number of doctorally prepared faculty members; and

(2) to provide education to the nurse research scientists who can develop new nursing care models to improve the health status of the diverse population of the United States;

Whereas nurses touch the lives of the people of the United States through every stage of life; and

Whereas nursing has been voted the most honest and ethical profession in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports the goals and ideals of National Nurses Week, as founded by the American Nurses Association;

(2) recognizes the significant contributions of nurses to the health care system in the United States; and

(3) encourages the people of the United States to observe National Nurses Week with appropriate recognition, ceremonies, activities, and programs to demonstrate the importance of nurses to the everyday lives of patients.

SENATE RESOLUTION 627—DESIGNATING MAY 6, 2022, AS “UNITED STATES FOREIGN SERVICE DAY” IN RECOGNITION OF THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED, OR ARE PRESENTLY SERVING, IN THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES, AND HONORING THE MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES IN THE LINE OF DUTY

Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. KAINE, and Mr. MERKLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 627

Whereas the Foreign Service of the United States (referred to in this preamble as the

“Foreign Service”) was established through the enactment of the Act entitled “An Act for the reorganization and improvement of the Foreign Service of the United States, and for other purposes.”, approved May 24, 1924 (43 Stat. 140, chapter 182) (commonly known as the “Rogers Act of 1924”), and is now celebrating its 97th anniversary;

Whereas the Rogers Act of 1924 established a career organization based on competitive examination and merit promotion;

Whereas, in 2022, just less than 16,000 men and women of the Foreign Service are serving at home and abroad;

Whereas Foreign Service personnel are supported by more than 60,000 locally engaged staff in nearly 300 embassies and consulates, who provide unique expertise and crucial links to host countries;

Whereas Foreign Service personnel comprise employees from the Department of State, the United States Agency for International Development, the Department of Commerce, the Foreign Agricultural Service, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, and the United States Agency for Global Media;

Whereas the diplomatic, consular, communications, trade, development, security, public diplomacy, and numerous other functions that Foreign Service personnel perform constitute the first and most cost-effective instrument of the United States to protect and promote United States interests abroad;

Whereas the men and women of the Foreign Service and their families are increasingly exposed to risks and danger, even in times of peace, and many have died in the service of the United States;

Whereas employees of the Foreign Service work daily—

(1) to ensure the national security of the United States;

(2) to provide assistance to United States citizens overseas;

(3) to preserve peace, freedom, and economic prosperity around the world;

(4) to promote the ideals and values of the United States, internationally recognized human rights, freedom, equal opportunities for women and girls, rule of law, and democracy;

(5) to promote transparency, provide accurate information, and combat disinformation;

(6) to cultivate new markets for United States products and services and develop new investment opportunities that create jobs in the United States and promote prosperity;

(7) to promote economic development, reduce poverty, end hunger and malnutrition, fight disease, combat international crime and illegal drugs, and address environmental degradation; and

(8) to provide emergency and humanitarian assistance to respond to crises around the world;

Whereas, in response to the unprecedented global COVID-19 pandemic, all of the foreign affairs agencies of the United States have worked tirelessly to support the people of the United States, often placing their own safety and well-being at risk;

Whereas the foreign affairs agencies and the American Foreign Service Association have observed Foreign Service Day in May for many years; and

Whereas it is both appropriate and just for the United States as a whole to recognize the dedication of the men and women of the Foreign Service and to honor the members of the Foreign Service who have given their lives in the loyal pursuit of their duties and responsibilities representing the interests of the United States and of its citizens: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the men and women who have served, or are presently serving, in the For-

eign Service of the United States for their dedicated and important service to the United States;

(2) calls on the people of the United States to reflect on the service and sacrifice of past, present, and future employees of the Foreign Service of the United States, wherever they serve, with appropriate ceremonies and activities; and

(3) designates May 6, 2022, as “United States Foreign Service Day” to commemorate the 98th anniversary of the Foreign Service of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 628—DESIGNATING MAY 21, 2022, AS “KIDS TO PARKS DAY”

Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. HEINRICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BURR, and Ms. HIRONO) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 628

Whereas the 12th annual Kids to Parks Day will be celebrated on May 21, 2022;

Whereas the goals of Kids to Parks Day are—

(1) to promote healthy outdoor recreation and responsible environmental stewardship;

(2) to empower young people; and

(3) to encourage families to get outdoors and visit the parks and public land of the United States;

Whereas, on Kids to Parks Day, individuals from rural, suburban, and urban areas of the United States can be reintroduced to the splendid national, State, and neighborhood parks located in their communities;

Whereas communities across the United States offer a variety of natural resources and public land, often with free access, to individuals seeking outdoor recreation;

Whereas the people of the United States, young and old, should be encouraged to lead more healthy and active lifestyles;

Whereas Kids to Parks Day is an opportunity for families to take a break from their busy lives and enjoy a day of active, wholesome fun; and

Whereas Kids to Parks Day will—

(1) broaden an appreciation for nature and the outdoors in young people;

(2) foster a safe setting for independent play and healthy adventure in neighborhood parks; and

(3) facilitate self-reliance while strengthening communities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates May 21, 2022, as “Kids to Parks Day”; and

(2) recognizes the importance of outdoor recreation and the preservation of open spaces for the health and education of the young people of the United States; and

(3) encourages the people of the United States to observe Kids to Parks Day with safe family trips to parks.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 5029. Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. MURPHY) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 552, designating March 2022 as “Irish-American Heritage Month” and honoring the significance of Irish Americans in the history and progress of the United States.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 5029. Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. MURPHY) proposed an amendment to the