

Scouts shall not be deemed to have been active service, and, therefore, those members did not qualify for certain benefits;

Whereas 26,000 Filipino World War II veterans were granted United States citizenship as a result of the Immigration Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-649; 104 Stat. 4978), which was signed into law by President George H.W. Bush on November 29, 1990;

Whereas, in 1991, the Filipino American National Historical Society made efforts to recognize October as Filipino American History Month for the first time;

Whereas, on February 17, 2009, President Barack Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5; 123 Stat. 115), which established the Filipino Veterans Equity Compensation Fund to compensate Filipino World War II veterans for their service to the United States;

Whereas, since June 8, 2016, the Filipino World War II Veterans Parole Program has allowed Filipino World War II veterans and certain family members to be reunited more expeditiously than the immigrant visa process allowed at that time;

Whereas, on December 14, 2016, President Barack Obama signed into law the Filipino Veterans of World War II Congressional Gold Medal Act of 2015 (Public Law 114-265; 130 Stat. 1376) to award Filipino veterans who fought alongside troops of the United States in World War II the highest civilian honor bestowed by Congress;

Whereas, on October 25, 2017, the Congressional Gold Medal was presented to Filipino World War II veterans in Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Building, a recognition for which the veterans had waited for more than 70 years;

Whereas Filipino Americans have received the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest award for valor in action against an enemy force that may be bestowed on an individual serving in the Armed Forces, and continue to demonstrate a commendable sense of patriotism and honor in the Armed Forces;

Whereas the late Peter Aquino Aduja of Hawaii and the late Thelma Garcia Buchholdt of Alaska became the first Filipino American elected to public office and the first Filipina American elected to a legislature in the United States, respectively, inspiring their fellow Filipino Americans to pursue public service in politics and government;

Whereas Filipino American farmworkers and labor leaders, such as Philip Vera Cruz and Larry Itliong, played an integral role in the multiethnic United Farm Workers movement, alongside Cesar Chávez, Dolores Huerta, and other Latino workers;

Whereas, on April 25, 2012, President Barack Obama nominated Lorna G. Schofield to be a United States District Judge for the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and she was confirmed by the Senate on December 13, 2012, to be the first Filipina American in United States history to serve as an Article III Federal judge;

Whereas Filipino Americans play an integral role on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic in the healthcare system of the United States as nurses, doctors, first responders, and other medical professionals;

Whereas Filipino Americans contribute greatly to music, dance, literature, education, business, journalism, sports, fashion, politics, government, science, technology, the fine arts, and other fields that enrich the United States;

Whereas, as mandated in the mission statement of the Filipino American National Historical Society, efforts should continue to promote the study of Filipino American his-

tory and culture because the roles of Filipino Americans and other people of color have largely been overlooked in the writing, teaching, and learning of the history of the United States;

Whereas it is imperative for Filipino American youth to have positive role models to instill—

(1) the significance of education, complemented by the richness of Filipino American ethnicity; and

(2) the value of the Filipino American legacy; and

Whereas it is essential to promote the understanding, education, and appreciation of the history and culture of Filipino Americans in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the celebration of Filipino American History Month in October 2022 as—

(A) a testament to the advancement of Filipino Americans;

(B) a time to reflect on and remember the many notable contributions that Filipino Americans have made to the United States; and

(C) a time to renew efforts toward the research and examination of history and culture so as to provide an opportunity for all people of the United States to learn more about Filipino Americans and to appreciate the historic contributions of Filipino Americans to the United States; and

(2) urges the people of the United States to observe Filipino American History Month with appropriate programs and activities.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 826—DESIGNATING OCTOBER 26, 2022, AS THE “DAY OF THE DEPLOYED”

Mr. KING (for Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. DAINES, and Ms. WARREN)) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 826

Whereas more than 2,100,000 individuals serve as members of the Armed Forces of the United States, including the reserve components of the Armed Forces;

Whereas several hundred thousand members of the Armed Forces served in more than 200 countries in every region of the world;

Whereas more than 2,000,000 members of the Armed Forces have deployed to the area of operations of the United States Central Command since the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks;

Whereas, for nearly 20 years following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, members of the Armed Forces deployed throughout Afghanistan, and their service and bravery helped protect the United States from further terrorist attacks;

Whereas the United States is kept strong and free by the loyal military personnel from the total force, which includes the regular components, the National Guard, and the Reserves, who protect the precious heritage of the United States through their declarations and actions;

Whereas the United States remains committed to providing the fullest possible accounting for personnel missing from past conflicts ranging from World War II through current day conflicts;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces serving at home and abroad have courageously answered the call to duty to defend the ideals of the United States and to preserve peace and freedom around the world;

Whereas in early 2022, members of the Armed Forces deployed on short-notice to Eastern Europe to support, reassure, and defend allies of the United States and members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;

Whereas the United States remains committed to easing the transition from deployment abroad to service at home for members of the Armed Forces and the families of the members;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces personify the virtues of patriotism, service, duty, courage, and sacrifice;

Whereas the families of members of the Armed Forces make important and significant sacrifices for the United States; and

Whereas the Senate has designated October 26 as the “Day of the Deployed” since 2011: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) designates October 26, 2022, as the “Day of the Deployed”;

(2) honors the deployed members of the Armed Forces of the United States and the families of the members;

(3) calls on the people of the United States to reflect on the service of those members of the Armed Forces, wherever the members serve, past, present, and future; and

(4) encourages the people of the United States to observe the Day of the Deployed with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 827—SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Mr. KING, (for Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. LEAHY, and Ms. ERNST)) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 827

Whereas, according to the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey—

(1) up to 12,000,000 individuals in the United States report experiencing intimate partner violence annually, including physical violence, rape, or stalking; and

(2) approximately 1 in 5 women in the United States and up to 1 in 7 men in the United States have experienced severe physical violence by an intimate partner at some point in their lifetimes;

Whereas, on average, 3 women in the United States are killed each day by a current or former intimate partner, according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics;

Whereas domestic violence can affect anyone, but women who are 18 to 34 years of age typically experience the highest rates of domestic violence;

Whereas survivors of domestic violence are strong, courageous, and resilient;

Whereas most female victims of intimate partner violence have been victimized by the same offender previously;

Whereas domestic violence is cited as a significant factor in homelessness among families;

Whereas millions of children are exposed to domestic violence each year;

Whereas a study has found that children who were exposed to domestic violence in their households were 15 times more likely to be physically or sexually assaulted in their lifetime than other children who were not exposed to domestic violence in their households;

Whereas victims of domestic violence experience immediate and long-term negative outcomes, including detrimental effects on mental and physical health;

Whereas research consistently shows that being abused by an intimate partner increases an individual's likelihood of substance use as well as associated harmful consequences;

Whereas victims of domestic violence may lose several days of paid work each year and may lose their jobs due to reasons stemming from domestic violence;

Whereas crisis hotlines serving domestic violence victims operate 24 hours per day, 365 days per year, and offer important crisis intervention services, support services, information, and referrals for victims;

Whereas staff and volunteers of domestic violence shelters and programs in the United States, in cooperation with 56 State and territorial coalitions against domestic violence, provide essential services to—

(1) thousands of adults and children each day; and

(2) 1,000,000 adults and children each year;

Whereas domestic violence programs and hotlines have seen a substantial increase in contacts since 2020, and continue to experience a surge in requests for services, with the National Domestic Violence Hotline averaging approximately 2,600 daily contacts in 2022, up from 800 to 1,200 average daily contacts before the COVID-19 pandemic;

Whereas nearly 85 percent of American Indian and Alaska Native women have experienced some form of intimate partner violence in their lifetime;

Whereas respondents to a survey of domestic violence programs reported that survivors of domestic violence often face financial challenges, with 8,000,000 days of paid work lost each year due to intimate partner violence;

Whereas medical professionals have reported that survivors of domestic violence are presenting with more severe injuries during the pandemic;

Whereas domestic violence programs have changed the way they provide services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic;

Whereas advocates for survivors of domestic violence and survivors face the same challenges with child care and facilitating online learning that others do;

Whereas, according to a 2021 survey conducted by the National Network to End Domestic Violence, 70,032 domestic violence victims were served by domestic violence shelters and programs around the United States in a single day;

Whereas some victims of domestic violence face additional challenges in accessing law enforcement and services due to conditions specific to the communities in which they live;

Whereas law enforcement officers in the United States put their lives at risk each day by responding to incidents of domestic violence, which can be among the most volatile and deadly calls;

Whereas Congress first demonstrated a significant commitment to supporting victims of domestic violence with the enactment of the landmark Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (42 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.);

Whereas Congress has remained committed to protecting survivors of all forms of domestic violence and sexual abuse by making Federal funding available to support the activities that are authorized under—

(1) the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (42 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.);

(2) the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12291 et seq.); and

(3) the VOCA Fix to Sustain the Crime Victims Fund Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-27; 135 Stat. 301);

Whereas there is a need to continue to support programs and activities aimed at domestic violence intervention and domestic violence prevention in the United States;

Whereas domestic violence programs provide trauma-informed services to protect the safety, privacy, and confidentiality of survivors of domestic violence; and

Whereas individuals and organizations that are dedicated to preventing and ending domestic violence should be recognized: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That—

(1) the Senate—

(A) supports the goals and ideals of “National Domestic Violence Awareness Month”; and

(B) commends domestic violence victim advocates, domestic violence victim service providers, crisis hotline staff, and first responders serving victims of domestic violence, for their compassionate support of survivors of domestic violence; and

(C) recognizes the strength and courage of survivors of domestic violence; and

(2) it is the sense of the Senate that Congress should—

(A) continue to raise awareness of—

(i) domestic violence in the United States; and

(ii) the corresponding devastating effects of domestic violence on survivors, families, and communities; and

(B) pledge continued support for programs designed to—

(i) assist survivors of domestic violence;

(ii) hold perpetrators of domestic violence accountable; and

(iii) bring an end to domestic violence.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 828—RECOGNIZING THE END OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, SERVICEMEMBERS, AND CONTRACTORS

Mr. REED (for Mr. LANKFORD) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

S. RES. 828

Whereas, on September 18, 2022, President Biden said “the pandemic is over”;

Whereas, since January 2021, in the United States, reported COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations have decreased by more than 75 percent and reported COVID-19-related deaths have decreased by almost 90 percent; and

Whereas, as of June 2022, 6,137 servicemembers had been discharged from service due to non-compliance with the COVID-19 vaccine requirement: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) the President should remove all COVID-19 vaccine, testing, masking, and social distancing requirements on all Federal employees, servicemembers, and contractors;

(2) all members of the Armed Forces who chose not to receive the COVID-19 vaccine and were relieved or discharged because of that choice should be reinstated and allowed to perform the same duties that those individuals performed before being so relieved or discharged; and

(3) all Federal employees and contractors who chose not to receive the COVID-19 vaccine and were disciplined or restricted in their duties in any way because of that choice should be allowed to resume their typical duties without limitation.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 829—COMMEMORATING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM AND CELEBRATING THE LONG HISTORY OF THE COMMITMENT OF THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE AND THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE TOYS FOR TOTS FOUNDATION TO SERVING THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. KING (for Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 829

Whereas, in 1947, the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program was created by William “Bill” Hendricks, Major, United States Marine Corps Reserve, to assist the orphaned and less fortunate children following World War II;

Whereas, during the 1947 holiday season, Major Hendricks and his United States Marine Corps Reserve unit provided more than 5,000 toys to children in the Los Angeles local area;

Whereas, in 1948, the Commandant of the Marine Corps established the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program as a nationwide effort;

Whereas, in 1991, to continue the administration of the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program, the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation was created as a nonprofit organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

Whereas, in 1995, the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program was assigned as an official mission of the Marine Corps Reserve and an official activity of the Marine Corps;

Whereas the mission of the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November, and December each year and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the community in which the campaign is conducted, in order to contribute to the welfare of the local community, increase public awareness, and enhance the image of the Marine Corps;

Whereas the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program has expanded to cover all 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and Guam, and includes 142 Marine Forces Reserve Unit campaigns and more than 800 campaigns run by civilian volunteers; and

Whereas the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program has provided more than 604,000,000 toys and 1,800,000 books to more than 272,000,000 of the less fortunate children of the United States, the District of Columbia, and the territories of the United States, including more than 180,000 children who are part of the Toys for Tots Native American Program, while maintaining a 97:3 program to support ratio: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) commemorates and celebrates the 75th anniversary of the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program;

(2) recognizes and thanks the Marine Corps Toys for Tots Foundation for tirelessly serving the underserved children throughout the United States, the District of Columbia, and the territories of the United States; and

(3) applauds the Marine Corps Reserve and the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation for their past, present, and future efforts to bring Christmas joy to millions of children year after year.