

after consultation with private sector industry associations, institutions of higher education, State, local, and Tribal governmental agencies, and other stakeholders the Secretary determines appropriate, shall establish a process to recognize entities as standards recognition entities for purposes of recognizing industry-recognized apprenticeship programs under this Act.

“(2) LIMITED DISCRETION.—The Secretary shall not deny recognition as a standards recognition entity to a private sector or public sector entity that meets the requirements of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subsection (a)(3) and satisfactorily completes the process established under paragraph (1).

“(3) ADMINISTRATIVE FLEXIBILITY.—The Secretary shall ensure that the recognition process for standards recognition entities established under paragraph (1) is a flexible process with low administrative and reporting burdens for the standards recognition entities and industry-recognized apprenticeship programs.

“(c) REQUIREMENTS.—The recognition process of standards recognition entities and the activities and procedures carried out by the standards recognition entities shall, to the maximum extent practicable and except as otherwise explicitly provided in this section, be consistent with the requirements, activities, and procedures under subpart B of part 29 of title 29, Code of Federal Regulations, as such subpart was in effect on May 11, 2020.

“(d) STANDARDS.—Each standards recognition entity shall establish standards for the industry-recognized apprenticeship programs recognized by the entity that, at a minimum, ensure that each industry-recognized apprenticeship program—

- “(1) includes—
- “(A) paid work;
- “(B) on-the-job learning;
- “(C) a mentorship component;
- “(D) education and classroom instruction;
- “(E) a written training plan and apprenticeship agreement; and
- “(F) safety and supervision components; and

“(2) provides, during participation in or upon completion of the apprenticeship, an industry-recognized credential.

“(e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting apprenticeship programs registered under this Act and recognized by the Secretary.”.

## SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

### SENATE RESOLUTION 164—HONORING THE HERITAGE FOUNDATION ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. LEE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 164

Whereas, in 1972, the Heritage Foundation was conceived by Dr. Edwin J. Feulner and Paul Weyrich to deliver timely and persuasive research to Congress with facts, data, and sound arguments on behalf of conservative principles;

Whereas on February 16, 1973, the Heritage Foundation opened its doors with the support of the Coors, Noble, and Scaife families and grew to become the most influential and most broadly supported conservative think tank in the United States;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation has played a critical role in many great legislative successes in the United States over the past 5 decades;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation published the 1,093-page “Mandate for Leader-

ship” in 1981, which served as a “policy bible” for President Ronald Reagan, including the 1981 tax cuts that ignited the biggest economic boom in United States history;

Whereas, in 1982, the Heritage Foundation published the first comprehensive study outlining a missile defense system to defend the United States from nuclear missile attack, and 6 months later, President Ronald Reagan made his historic speech calling for a strategic defense initiative to protect the United States;

Whereas, in 1988, the Heritage Foundation authored its first candidate briefing book, which has become an essential tool to help frame policy debates;

Whereas, in 1995, the Heritage Foundation hosted its first “New Member Conference” to educate freshmen members of Congress, a program that takes place every 2 years before the new Congress takes office;

Whereas research by the Heritage Foundation formed the basis of welfare reform in the 1990s that would result in more than 5,000,000 people in the United States leaving welfare and finding work, and reducing African American child poverty to historic lows;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation created the Meese Center for Legal and Judicial Studies, headed by former Attorney General Ed Meese, to create greater appreciation for the role of the Constitution of the United States, and, in 2005, published “The Heritage Guide to the Constitution”, which was the first examination of each and every line of the Constitution of the United States since the definitive study of Joseph Story in the mid-19th century;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation has promoted an originalist judicial philosophy, and trained and supported lawyers and judges with an originalist approach to the Constitution of the United States;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation established the Kathryn and Shelby Cullom Davis Institute for National Security and Foreign Policy to provide expert research and analysis of issues dealing with foreign policy, international relations, global economics, and national security;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation has published such influential indexes as—

- (1) the Index of United States Military Strength;
- (2) the Index of Economic Freedom;
- (3) the Election Integrity Scorecard; and
- (4) the Education Freedom Report Card;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation has consistently fought to defend the dignity of every human life, for marriage, the family (the foundation of society), and religious liberty;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation works tirelessly to grow and serve the conservative movement through programs like the Young Leaders Program and the Resource Bank, created in 1977 to forge a national network of conservative policy groups and experts and, most recently, the Innovation Prize;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation supports conservative organizations across the country and works to set the agenda and advance conservative policies through its 2025 Presidential Transition Project;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation launched its own news site, the Daily Signal, and has constantly expanded its reach on social media to convey conservative views to the widest possible audience;

Whereas the Heritage Foundation launched its sister organization, Heritage Action for America, to turn the conservative policy proposals of the Heritage Foundation into reality on Capitol Hill and build a grassroots community of over 20,000 sentinels and 2,000,000 activists that hold elected representatives accountable to the founding principles of the United States;

Whereas the Board of Trustees of the Heritage Foundation has provided sound guidance since the establishment of the Heritage Foundation and strengthened strategic planning within the organization;

Whereas Barb Van Andel-Gaby, the chairman of the Board, has continued the legacy of service in her family with grace and distinction and has been a trusted advisor to the leadership of the Heritage Foundation; and

Whereas for 50 years, the Heritage Foundation has worked tirelessly to build a United States where freedom, opportunity, prosperity, and civil society flourish, knowing the people of the United States are best served by a government that understands, honors, and respects virtuous self-governance: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) honors the Heritage Foundation on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

(2) expresses profound gratitude for the unfailing service of the Heritage Foundation to the United States.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. CARPER. Madam President, I have nine requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 12 p.m., to conduct a subcommittee hearing.

### COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

### COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 3:45 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON CYBERSECURITY

The Subcommittee on Cybersecurity of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The Subcommittee on Intellectual Property of the Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during

the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND  
MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

The Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

The Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet in closed session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a briefing.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL  
20, 2023

Mr. COONS. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, which I think is now, that it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 20; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; and that following the conclusion of morning business, the Senate resume consideration of Calendar No. 28, S. 870.

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

Mr. COONS. For the information of the Senate, there will be two rollcall votes at 11:15 a.m. and one vote at 1:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. COONS. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate at this time, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:34 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 10 a.m.