

won 4 Hoosier Conference championships and reached the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) World Series in 1965 after a season of 20 wins and 5 losses;

Whereas, in 1979, Mr. Erskine was inducted into the inaugural class of the Indiana Baseball Hall of Fame;

Whereas Mr. Erskine also enjoyed a successful corporate career as an executive and board member of a bank and an advisor and trustee for organizations such as the Special Olympics, Babe Ruth Baseball, Anderson College, and the Baseball Assistance Team (BAT), a nonprofit organization that assists former Major League Baseball, Minor League Baseball, and Negro League Baseball players with financial and medical difficulties;

Whereas Mr. Erskine conducted numerous summer baseball camps and was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Anderson;

Whereas the Carl D. Erskine Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine Center in Anderson, Indiana, was named in his honor and has a statue of him at its facility;

Whereas, in the early 2000s, the Erskine family sold 30 acres of land at a discounted price for the construction of Anderson Community Schools;

Whereas Erskine Elementary School in Anderson, Indiana, was named in honor of Mr. Erskine and his family;

Whereas Mr. Erskine's son Jimmy competed in the Special Olympics for over 50 years, leading Mr. Erskine and his wife, Betty, to become active volunteers with the organization;

Whereas, to recognize Mr. Erskine's legacy, the Special Olympics of Indiana named its planned giving society, which helps the Special Olympics of Indiana expand its reach and promote its vision of a more inclusive world for people with intellectual disabilities, "The Carl and Betty Erskine Society";

Whereas, after more than 4 decades as a volunteer, Mr. Erskine was awarded the Special Olympics' highest honor, the Spirit of the Special Olympics Award;

Whereas the Erskine Green Training Center in Muncie, Indiana, is a postsecondary vocational training program for those with special needs, which was partially named in his honor;

Whereas Mr. Erskine was a charter member of both the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Baseball Assistance Team;

Whereas Mr. Erskine was added to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Hall of Champions in 2002;

Whereas, in 2010, Governor Mitch Daniels presented Mr. Erskine with the Sachem Award, the State of Indiana's highest honor, which recognizes a lifetime of excellence and moral virtue that has brought credit and honor to Indiana;

Whereas, in 2022, a documentary about his life, "The Best We Got: The Carl Erskine Story", by Ted Green, was released;

Whereas, known as the "Last of the Boys of Summer", Mr. Erskine received the John Jordan "Buck" O'Neil Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 2023;

Whereas the Hall of Fame presents the John Jordan "Buck" O'Neil Lifetime Achievement Award every 3 years to an individual whose character, integrity, and dignity has had a positive impact on society; and

Whereas Carl Erskine passed away on April 16, 2024: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the life and legacy of Carl Daniel Erskine, including the dedication of Mr. Erskine—

(A) in particular, to the game of baseball and fans in the Hoosier State;

(B) to his work on and off the field in the State of Indiana; and

(C) to the various lives he improved through his kindness and compassion in his various philanthropic endeavors;

(2) recognizes the success of Mr. Erskine as a source of continuing pride for the entire State of Indiana;

(3) gives a heartfelt thank you to Mr. Erskine for all of the memories and will continue to remember his legacy; and

(4) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Erskine.

SENATE RESOLUTION 697—DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF MAY 12 THROUGH MAY 18, 2024, AS "NATIONAL POLICE WEEK"

Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LEE, Mr. COONS, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. HAWLEY, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. REED, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BROWN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. RISCH, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. KING, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. PAUL, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Ms. SINEMA, Mrs. FISCHER, Ms. ROSEN, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. DAINES, Mr. ROUNDS, Ms. ERNST, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. YOUNG, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. ROMNEY, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. BUDD, Mr. VANCE, Mr. SCHMITT, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. WARNOCK) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 697

Whereas Federal, State, local, and Tribal police officers, sheriffs, and other law enforcement officers across the United States serve with valor, dignity, and integrity;

Whereas each law enforcement officer is charged with—

(1) pursuing justice for all individuals; and
(2) performing the duties of a law enforcement officer with fidelity to the constitutional and civil rights of the public the officer serves;

Whereas law enforcement officers swear an oath to uphold the public trust even though, through the performance of the duties of a law enforcement officer, the officers may become targets for senseless acts of violence;

Whereas, in 1962, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy signed Public Law 87-726 (76 Stat. 676) (referred to in this preamble as the "Joint Resolution"), which authorizes the President to proclaim May 15 of every year as "Peace Officers Memorial Day" in honor of the Federal, State, and local officers who have been killed, disabled, or otherwise injured in the line of duty;

Whereas the Joint Resolution also authorizes the President to designate the week in which Peace Officers Memorial Day falls as "National Police Week";

Whereas the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, dedicated on October 15, 1991, is the national monument to honor those law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty;

Whereas Peace Officers Memorial Day 2024 honors the 227 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty during 2023, including—

- (1) Michael S. Abbate;
- (2) Trevor A. Abney;
- (3) William Anthony;
- (4) Anthony B. Ashe;
- (5) Kolby L. Baber;
- (6) James R. Bailey;
- (7) Gerald T. Barbato;
- (8) Joseph L. Barlow;
- (9) Chanda D. Barnes;
- (10) Michael E. Barnes;
- (11) Terrance N. Bateman;
- (12) Patrick C. Bauer;
- (13) Julian G. Becerra;
- (14) Tucker C. Blakely;
- (15) David W. Bosecker;
- (16) Frederick C. Bowens;
- (17) William P. Brautigam;
- (18) Emily A. Breidenbach;
- (19) Mark N. Bressack;
- (20) Lawrence J. Bromm;
- (21) Tyee M. Browne;
- (22) Shawn A. Burnell;
- (23) Robert M. Burney;
- (24) Lorenzo Bustos;
- (25) Darnell Calhoun;
- (26) Eric Calleja;
- (27) Pedro A. Candia;
- (28) Scotty W. Canezaro;
- (29) Joseph E. Carey;
- (30) Steven A. Carnes;
- (31) Gonzalo Carrasco Duenas;
- (32) Richard Carrero Mendez;
- (33) Robert C. Castioni;
- (34) William J. Cherry;
- (35) Robert D. Clark;
- (36) Ryan M. Clinkunbroomer;
- (37) Joshua L. Clouse;
- (38) Anthony E. Cloyd;
- (39) Thomas P. Compitello;
- (40) Caleb K. Conley;
- (41) David E. Cook;
- (42) Donald E. Cossean;
- (43) Timothy E. Coyne;
- (44) Kevin M. Cram;
- (45) Garrett C. Crumby;
- (46) Christopher B. Cummings;
- (47) Stephen A. Darby;
- (48) Jeris D. Davis;
- (49) William J. DeBlock;
- (50) Francisco DeCastro;
- (51) Rodrigo Delgado;
- (52) Michael A. DeVecchis;
- (53) Charles F. Dotson;
- (54) John A. Durm;
- (55) Jessica M. Ebbighausen;
- (56) Angel F. Esquerete;
- (57) Alberto E. Felix;
- (58) Anthony D. Ferguson;
- (59) Christopher D. Fitzgerald;
- (60) George Flores;
- (61) Clifford V. Fontaine;
- (62) Pedro A. Foruria;
- (63) Anthony J. Francione;
- (64) I.B. Fugate;
- (65) Christopher J. Garrow;
- (66) Robert C. Garten;
- (67) Anthony J. Garvey;
- (68) William J. Gawron;
- (69) Francis A. Gaynor;
- (70) Nicholas A. Georgeadis;
- (71) James A. Geraghty;
- (72) Stephen L. Gibson;
- (73) Barry P. Giglio;
- (74) Maureen Gill-Donohue;
- (75) Todd C. Gillerlain;
- (76) Steven P. Gitlin;
- (77) Heather J. Glenn;
- (78) Michael S. Godawa;
- (79) Ivan Gonzalez;

(80) Thomas J. Graham;
 (81) Roland A. Gray;
 (82) Almondo Greer-Travis;
 (83) Mason E. Griffith;
 (84) Timothy J. Guyer;
 (85) Asson A. Hacker;
 (86) Joshua I. Hamilton;
 (87) Matthew L. Hare;
 (88) Emil Harnischfeger;
 (89) Brett M. Harris;
 (90) Mark U. Heinel;
 (91) Charles H. Herring;
 (92) John J. Hess;
 (93) Ronald E. Higgins;
 (94) Patrick J. Hogan;
 (95) Patrick J. Hogan;
 (96) Nicholas Holovinsky;
 (97) John G. Horan;
 (98) Victor A. Hunter;
 (99) Jeff D. Hust;
 (100) Billy J. Ihrig;
 (101) Jon A. Jensen;
 (102) Peter E.C. Jerning;
 (103) Joseph W. Johnson;
 (104) Jason S. Jones;
 (105) Russell Earl Lavarl Jones;
 (106) Daniel A. Kammerzell;
 (107) Michael J. Kearns;
 (108) William J. Keating;
 (109) Michael R. Keel;
 (110) Shawn K. Kelly;
 (111) William M. Kelly;
 (112) Edward T. Kiluk;
 (113) Carl D. Kimball;
 (114) Robert J. Kirwan;
 (115) Nevada Krinkee;
 (116) Michael P. Kunovich;
 (117) Lawrence W. Lakeman;
 (118) Shannon E. Lang;
 (119) Tuan Q. Le;
 (120) David J. Lee;
 (121) Kaitlin R. Leising;
 (122) James M. Lett;
 (123) Thomas M. Lilly;
 (124) Scott G. Lovendahl;
 (125) Gerald F. Lynch;
 (126) Christopher J. Marcello;
 (127) Paul S. Martin;
 (128) James A. Mastricovo;
 (129) Cory S. Maynard;
 (130) Marylin A. Mayo;
 (131) Scott C. McArdle;
 (132) John F. McArdle;
 (133) Jeremy D. McCain;
 (134) John J. McCauley;
 (135) James S. McCormick;
 (136) Justin C. McIntire;
 (137) Marc A. McIntyre;
 (138) Robert W. McKinney;
 (139) Darrin C. McMichael;
 (140) Kyle M. Melancon;
 (141) Jared J. Miller;
 (142) Matthew D. Mitchell;
 (143) Jacqueline M. Montanaro;
 (144) Gregorio Morales;
 (145) Michael A. Moran;
 (146) Steven C. Mosiello;
 (147) Jovian J. Motley;
 (148) Robert Mouradian;
 (149) James M. Muhlbauer;
 (150) Frank H. Murillo;
 (151) Donald M. Neiswinger;
 (152) Alberto Nieves;
 (153) Philip D. Nix;
 (154) Scott C. Norcutt;
 (155) Nicholas F. Ortiz;
 (156) Freddy Ortiz;
 (157) Jonah Oswald;
 (158) Joshua A. Owen;
 (159) Vincent A. Parks;
 (160) Anthony J. Pasquarello;
 (161) Jorge I. Pastore;
 (162) Troy D. Patterson;
 (163) Nicholas N. Pepper;
 (164) Santos Perez;
 (165) Aubrey H. Phillips;
 (166) Delberth I. Phipps;
 (167) Martin M. Podolski;

(168) David J. Poirrier;
 (169) Lawrence C. Prather;
 (170) Aréannah M. Preston;
 (171) Michael G. Prettitore;
 (172) Jason S. Pulliam;
 (173) Isam M. Qasem;
 (174) Andrew L. Quinlan;
 (175) Marcos Quinones;
 (176) Frank D. Randall;
 (177) John R. Randolph;
 (178) Geoffrey B. Redd;
 (179) Trinity L. Reinhart;
 (180) Milton G. Resendez;
 (181) Auston S. Reudelhuber;
 (182) Anthony W. Rickerson;
 (183) Scott D. Ritchey;
 (184) Kimberly D. Roberts Sickafoose;
 (185) Thomas F. Roche;
 (186) Christopher P. Rock;
 (187) Robert D. Rodgers;
 (188) Kelly B. Rolando;
 (189) Michael Romano;
 (190) Jacques F. Rougeau;
 (191) Brian G. Rousseau;
 (192) Richard L. Ruiz;
 (193) James M. Russ;
 (194) John C. Ryan;
 (195) Jacob E. Salrin;
 (196) Janelle Sanders;
 (197) Bill M. Sapolu;
 (198) Hunter T. Scheel;
 (199) Paul Schippereit;
 (200) Karl J. Sederholt;
 (201) Ralph E. Serrano;
 (202) Robert J. Shisler;
 (203) James M. Sides;
 (204) Jordan Silver;
 (205) Zachary Slavin;
 (206) Sean L. Sluganski;
 (207) Aaron N. Smith;
 (208) Jack S. Stewart;
 (209) Becky V. Strong;
 (210) Chad E. Swanson;
 (211) Carlos E.J. Taylor;
 (212) Richard E. Tesaro;
 (213) Paul J. Tracey;
 (214) Phoukham Tran;
 (215) Sammy J. Trujillo;
 (216) Horren R. Tyler;
 (217) Timothy J. Unwin;
 (218) Victor Vargas;
 (219) Andres M. Vasquez Lasso;
 (220) Mark C. Wagner;
 (221) John J. Walker;
 (222) Jake R. Wallin;
 (223) James L. Ward;
 (224) Richard Weber;
 (225) Clarence L. Williams;
 (226) Michael C. Wood, Jr.; and
 (227) Marcus L. Zeigler; and

Whereas, according to the Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted Program of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (also known as the “LEOKA Program”), since the beginning of 2024, 45 law enforcement officers were reported to have been killed in the line of duty: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the week of May 12 through May 18, 2024, as “National Police Week”;

(2) expresses unwavering support for law enforcement officers across the United States in the pursuit of preserving safe and secure communities;

(3) recognizes the need to ensure that law enforcement officers have the equipment, training, and resources that are necessary in order to protect the health and safety of the officers while the officers protect the public;

(4) acknowledges that police officers and other law enforcement personnel, especially those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, should be remembered and honored;

(5) expresses condolences and solemn appreciation to the loved ones of each law enforcement officer who has made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; and

(6) encourages the people of the United States to observe National Police Week by

honoring law enforcement personnel and promoting awareness of the essential mission that law enforcement personnel undertake in service to their communities and the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 698—EX-PRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF JUNE 9, 2024, AS “VETERANS GET OUTSIDE DAY”

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Mr. KING, and Mr. CRAMER) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 698

Whereas, between 2000 and 2023, the Secretary of Defense found that more than 460,000 members of the Armed Forces were diagnosed with traumatic brain injuries;

Whereas studies have found that, after decades of combat in Afghanistan and Iraq, 20 percent of veterans suffer from post-traumatic stress and depression;

Whereas the Secretary of Veterans Affairs found that veterans suffer a disproportionately higher rate of suicide compared to non-veterans, and post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury, depression, and anxiety are root causes of the suicide epidemic in the veteran community, with an estimated 17.5 suicides per day in 2021;

Whereas, despite a strong effort by Congress and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reduce veterans suicides, there are still gaps in mental health care for veterans, and the United States needs to use every treatment available to support the veteran community;

Whereas studies have shown that exposure to nature and the outdoors has a positive therapeutic impact on mental health, including by resulting in lower risks of depression and improved focus and attention, and even a single day outside can improve an individual’s overall mood and lessen feelings of isolation;

Whereas studies have found that individuals with increased access to green space have a lower suicide risk;

Whereas the Forest Service sponsors a National Get Outdoors Day on the second Saturday in June to promote the health benefits of outdoor recreational activities;

Whereas the National Park Service sponsors a National Get Outdoors Month in June to promote the health benefits of outdoor recreational activities;

Whereas the United States has recognized the need to connect veterans with nature by providing free admission to national parks and forests; and

Whereas a targeted outreach effort, such as Veterans Get Outside Day, to veterans living with post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury, depression, and anxiety may lead to further participation in outside events and improved mental health outcomes: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) expresses support for the designation of “Veterans Get Outside Day” on June 9, 2024; and

(2) encourages the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Chief of the Forest Service, and the Director of the National Park Service to coordinate and cooperate in promoting “Veterans Get Outside Day” with National Get Outdoors Day and Get Outdoors Month of June 2024.