

Ms. HASSAN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. WARREN, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. ROSEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. KING, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. SMITH, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. KELLY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. WELCH, Mr. WICKER, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. PETERS, Mrs. BRITT, and Mr. BROWN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 551

Whereas, in 1776, people envisioned the United States as a new nation dedicated to the proposition stated in the Declaration of Independence that “all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness”;

Whereas Africans were first brought involuntarily to the shores of the United States as early as the 17th century;

Whereas African Americans suffered enslavement and subsequently faced the injustices of lynch mobs, segregation, and denial of the basic and fundamental rights of citizenship;

Whereas, in 2024, the vestiges of those injustices and inequalities remain evident in the society of the United States;

Whereas, in the face of injustices, people of good will and of all races in the United States have distinguished themselves with a commitment to the noble ideals on which the United States was founded and have fought courageously for the rights and freedom of African Americans and others;

Whereas African Americans, such as Lieutenant Colonel Allen Allensworth, Maya Angelou, Arthur Ashe, Jr., James Baldwin, James Beckwourth, Clara Brown, Blanche Bruce, Ralph Bunche, Shirley Chisholm, Holt Collier, Miles Davis, Louis Armstrong, Larry Doby, Frederick Douglass, W. E. B. Du Bois, Ralph Ellison, Medgar Evers, Aretha Franklin, Alex Haley, Dorothy Height, Jon Hendricks, Olivia Hooker, Lena Horne, Charles Hamilton Houston, Mahalia Jackson, Stephanie Tubbs Jones, B.B. King, Martin Luther King, Jr., Coretta Scott King, Thurgood Marshall, Constance Baker Motley, Rosa Parks, Walter Payton, Bill Pickett, Homer Plessy, Bass Reeves, Hiram Revels, Amelia Platts Boynton Robinson, Jackie Robinson, Aaron Shirley, Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, Booker T. Washington, the Greensboro Four, the Tuskegee Airmen, Prince Rogers Nelson, Recy Taylor, Fred Shuttlesworth, Duke Ellington, Langston Hughes, Muhammad Ali, Elijah Cummings, Ella Fitzgerald, Mamie Till, Toni Morrison, Gwen Ifill, Diahann Carroll, Chadwick Boseman, John Lewis, Katherine Johnson, Rev. C.T. Vivian, Hank Aaron, Edith Savage-Jennings, Septima Clark, Mary McLeod Bethune, Cicely Tyson, John Hope Franklin, Colin Powell, bell hooks, Bob Moses, Sidney Poitier, Bill Russell, and Chief Justice of South Carolina Ernest Finney, along with many others, worked against racism to achieve success and to make significant contributions to the economic, educational, political, artistic, athletic, literary, scientific, and technological advancement of the United States;

Whereas the contributions of African Americans from all walks of life throughout the history of the United States reflect the greatness of the United States;

Whereas many African Americans lived, toiled, and died in obscurity, never achieving the recognition those individuals deserved,

and yet paved the way for future generations to succeed;

Whereas African Americans continue to serve the United States at the highest levels of business, government, and the military;

Whereas the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass inspired the creation of Negro History Week, the precursor to Black History Month;

Whereas Negro History Week represented the culmination of the efforts of Dr. Carter G. Woodson, the “Father of Black History”, to enhance knowledge of Black history through *The Journal of Negro History*, published by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, which was founded by Dr. Carter G. Woodson and Jesse E. Moorland;

Whereas Black History Month, celebrated during the month of February, originated in 1926 when Dr. Carter G. Woodson set aside a special period in February to recognize the heritage and achievements of Black people in the United States;

Whereas Dr. Carter G. Woodson stated, “We have a wonderful history behind us. . . . If you are unable to demonstrate to the world that you have this record, the world will say to you, ‘You are not worthy to enjoy the blessings of democracy or anything else.’”;

Whereas, since its founding, the United States has imperfectly progressed toward noble goals;

Whereas the history of the United States is the story of people regularly affirming high ideals, striving to reach those ideals but often failing, and then struggling to come to terms with the disappointment of that failure, before committing to try again;

Whereas, on November 4, 2008, the people of the United States elected Barack Obama, an African-American man, as President of the United States; and

Whereas, on February 22, 2012, people across the United States celebrated the groundbreaking of the National Museum of African American History and Culture, which opened to the public on September 24, 2016, on the National Mall in Washington, District of Columbia: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) acknowledges that all people of the United States are the recipients of the wealth of history provided by Black culture;

(2) recognizes the importance of Black History Month as an opportunity to reflect on the complex history of the United States, while remaining hopeful and confident about the path ahead;

(3) acknowledges the significance of Black History Month as an important opportunity to commemorate the tremendous contributions of African Americans to the history of the United States;

(4) encourages the celebration of Black History Month to provide a continuing opportunity for all people in the United States to learn from the past and understand the experiences that have shaped the United States; and

(5) agrees that, while the United States began as a divided country, the United States must—

(A) honor the contribution of all pioneers in the United States who have helped to ensure the legacy of the great United States; and

(B) move forward with purpose, united tirelessly as a nation “indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”.

SENATE RESOLUTION 552—TO AUTHORIZE TESTIMONY AND REPRESENTATION IN PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN V. BERDEN, ET AL

Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 552

Whereas, in the case of *People of the State of Michigan v. Berden, et al.*, Case Nos. 23-02209-FY *et seq.*, pending in the 54-A District Court in the City of Lansing, Michigan, the prosecution has requested the production of testimony from Daniel Schwager, a former employee of the Office of the Secretary of the Senate;

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 704(a)(2) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. §§288b(a) and 288c(a)(2), the Senate may direct its counsel to represent current and former officers and employees of the Senate with respect to any subpoena, order, or request for evidence relating to their official responsibilities;

Whereas, by the privileges of the Senate of the United States and Rule XI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, no evidence under the control or in the possession of the Senate may, by the judicial or administrative process, be taken from such control or possession but by permission of the Senate; and

Whereas, when it appears that evidence under the control or in the possession of the Senate may promote the administration of justice, the Senate will take such action as will promote the ends of justice consistent with the privileges of the Senate: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That Daniel Schwager, a former employee of the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, is authorized to provide relevant testimony in the case of *People of the State of Michigan v. Berden, et al.*, except concerning matters for which a privilege should be asserted.

SEC. 2. The Senate Legal Counsel is authorized to represent Mr. Schwager, and any current or former or employee of the Secretary's office, in connection with the production of evidence authorized in section one of this resolution.

SENATE RESOLUTION 553—HONORING THE LIFE OF JEAN A. CARNAHAN, FORMER SENATOR FOR THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Mr. HAWLEY (for himself, Mr. SCHMITT, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BRAUN, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BUDD, Ms. BUTLER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. ERNST, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGERTY, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LEE, Mr. LUJÁN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MARKEY,

Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MORAN, Mr. MULLIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REED, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROMNEY, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. VANCE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 553

Whereas, on December 20, 1933, Jean A. Carnahan was born in Washington, D.C.;

Whereas, from 1993 to 2000, Jean A. Carnahan served as First Lady of Missouri when her husband, Mel Carnahan, was elected as Governor of the State of Missouri;

Whereas, in 2000, Jean A. Carnahan was appointed to the Senate after her husband, Mel Carnahan, was tragically killed in a plane crash during his campaign bid for Senate;

Whereas, from 2001 to 2002, Jean A. Carnahan became the first woman to represent the State of Missouri in the Senate;

Whereas Jean A. Carnahan, during her tenures as First Lady of Missouri and as a Senator, was a dedicated public servant who proudly represented the people of the State of Missouri;

Whereas Jean A. Carnahan was a strong advocate for children, working families, seniors, and veterans, and continued her advocacy after she left the Senate;

Whereas Jean A. Carnahan authored 8 books, including 2 historical works on the Governor's Mansion in Missouri;

Whereas Jean A. Carnahan was preceded in death by her husband, Mel Carnahan, and their son, Roger; and

Whereas Jean A. Carnahan is survived by 2 sons, Russ and Tom, a daughter, Robin, and 5 grandchildren: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of Jean A. Carnahan, former member of the Senate;

(2) directs the Secretary of the Senate to communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the family of Jean A. Carnahan; and

(3) stands adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Jean A. Carnahan, when the Senate adjourns today.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1393. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements relating to the eligibility of veterans to receive reimbursement for emergency treatment furnished through the Veterans Community Care program, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1394. Mr. KAINE (for himself, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr.

CARPER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. REED, Ms. BUTLER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BENNET, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. SMITH, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. WARNER, and Ms. HIRONO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1395. Mr. SCHATZ (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. SMITH, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. WELCH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REED, Mr. WARNER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. COONS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. KAINE, Ms. BUTLER, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KING, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. SINEMA, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. BENNET, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. OSSOFF) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1396. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. WARREN, and Ms. HIRONO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1397. Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. WARREN, Ms. BUTLER, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. COONS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1398. Ms. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1399. Ms. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1400. Ms. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1401. Ms. ERNST submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1402. Mr. BUDD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1403. Ms. WARREN (for herself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. KAINE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1404. Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1405. Mr. BRAUN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1406. Mr. BRAUN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1407. Mr. SCHMITT submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1408. Mr. HAWLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1409. Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WICKER, Mr. REED, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MORAN, Ms. ERNST, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1410. Mr. ROUNDS (for himself and Mr. TESTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1411. Mr. RISCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1412. Mr. ROUNDS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1413. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1414. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1415. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1416. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1388 submitted by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 815, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1417. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment