

**SENATE RESOLUTION 898—RECOGNIZING THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN ON ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY**

Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 898

Whereas 40 years ago John and Revé Walsh, along with other advocates for children, founded the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, whose mission is to serve as the leading nonprofit organization in the United States to help locate missing children and combat child sexual exploitation;

Whereas John and Revé Walsh's son Adam was tragically murdered following an unconscionable abduction, leading them to a lifetime of advocacy on behalf of missing and exploited children;

Whereas, as a result of the tireless advocacy of the Walshes and countless others, in 1984, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children was established to serve as the clearinghouse for information relating to missing and exploited children in the United States and as a resource for parents, children, and law enforcement;

Whereas, in 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed into law the Missing Children's Assistance Act (34 U.S.C. 11291 et seq.), establishing a national resource center and clearinghouse for missing children, a role that the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children was designated to fulfill;

Whereas the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, in coordination with Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies, provides a critical response to help in locating missing children, responds to reports of child sexual exploitation, and distributes posters of missing children to the public;

Whereas, over the last 40 years, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children has assisted law enforcement in the recovery of over 448,000 children and has received 200,000,000 reports relating to suspected child sexual exploitation;

Whereas, since its founding, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children has received more than 5,600,000 calls to its 24-hour call center;

Whereas, following an increase in reports relating to the online sexual exploitation of children, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children established its CyberTipline, which provides an online mechanism for members of the public and electronic service providers to report incidents of suspected online sexual exploitation;

Whereas, since its inception in 1998, the CyberTipline has received 200,000,000 reports of child sexual exploitation, which the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children reviews and makes available to international, Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies, including the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program, for their review and handling;

Whereas, in 2023, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children launched its "Take It Down" tool, a groundbreaking program that helps victims of online child sexual exploitation remove from the internet nude or sexually explicit photos and videos taken of them while under the age of 18;

Whereas, with the passage of the Missing Children's Assistance Reauthorization Act of 2023 (Public Law 118-65; 138 Stat. 1439), on June 17, 2024, the National Center for Missing

& Exploited Children was reauthorized to perform 16 programs of work, including—

- (1) helping to locate and recover missing children;
- (2) responding to reports of child sexual exploitation and working to identify children depicted in sexually abusive imagery;
- (3) conducting analytical services, including on child sex trafficking cases;
- (4) offering community safety education for child-serving professionals; and
- (5) providing family crisis and mental health assistance; and

Whereas, for over 40 years, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children has been essential to combating the sexual exploitation of children in the United States and has served as a critical resource to children, parents, and law enforcement: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

- (1) recognizes the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children on the 40th anniversary of its founding;
- (2) commends the tremendous work that the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children undertakes to assist and protect children in the United States;
- (3) supports the continued mission of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children to help find missing children, reduce child sexual exploitation, and prevent child victimization; and
- (4) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 899—DESIGNATING NOVEMBER 2024 AS "AMERICAN DIABETES MONTH"**

Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 899

Whereas, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention—

- (1) an estimated 38,400,000 individuals in the United States have diabetes; and
- (2) an estimated 97,600,000 individuals in the United States who are 18 years of age or older have prediabetes;

Whereas diabetes is a serious chronic condition that affects individuals of every age, race, ethnicity, and income level;

Whereas the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that—

- (1) Hispanic, Black, Asian, American Indian, and Alaska Native adults in the United States are disproportionately affected by diabetes and develop the disease at much higher rates than the general population of the United States; and

- (2) an estimated 23 percent of individuals with diabetes in the United States have not yet been diagnosed with the disease;

Whereas, in the United States, an estimated 11.6 percent of the population, including 29.2 percent of individuals who are 65 years of age or older, have diabetes;

Whereas, of the approximately 18,600,000 veterans in the United States, nearly 1 in 4 are receiving care for diabetes from the Department of Veterans Affairs;

Whereas the risk of developing type 2 diabetes at some point in life is 40 percent for adults in the United States;

Whereas, according to the American Diabetes Association—

- (1) in 2022, the estimated direct and indirect medical costs in the United States for cases of diagnosed diabetes was \$412,900,000,000; and

- (2) as insulin prices remain high for some patients, 1 in 4 individuals using insulin report reducing use due to insulin cost;

Whereas the American Diabetes Association reports that, in 2022, care for individuals with diagnosed diabetes accounted for 1 in 4 health care dollars in the United States;

Whereas medical costs are estimated to be 2.6 times higher for individuals in the United States with diabetes than those without diabetes;

Whereas, as of November 2024, a cure for diabetes does not exist;

Whereas there are successful means to reduce the incidence, and delay the onset, of type 2 diabetes;

Whereas, with proper management and treatment, individuals with diabetes live healthy and productive lives; and

Whereas individuals in the United States celebrate American Diabetes Month in November: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

- (1) designates November 2024 as "American Diabetes Month"; and
- (2) supports the goals and ideals of American Diabetes Month, including—

(A) encouraging individuals in the United States to fight diabetes through public awareness of prevention and treatment options;

(B) enhancing diabetes education;

(C) recognizing the importance of awareness and early detection, including awareness of symptoms and risk factors such as—

(i) being—

(I) older than 45 years of age; or

(II) overweight; and

(ii) having—

(I) a particular racial and ethnic background;

(II) a low level of physical activity;

(III) high blood pressure;

(IV) a family history of diabetes; or

(V) a history of diabetes during pregnancy;

(D) supporting a decrease in the prevalence of type 1, type 2, and gestational diabetes in the United States through research, treatment, and prevention; and

(E) recognizing the importance of addressing barriers to health care that—

(i) leave many communities at a heightened risk for diabetes; and

(ii) limit access to health care resources that are needed to effectively prevent the onset, and to manage the condition, of diabetes.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 900—TO AUTHORIZE TESTIMONY AND REPRESENTATION IN UNITED STATES V. BAEZ**

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

S. RES. 900

Whereas, in the case of *United States v. Baez*, Cr. No. 21-507, pending in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, 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 *United States v. Baez*, 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 officer or employee of the Secretary's office, in connection with the production of evidence authorized in section one of this resolution.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3303. Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 872, recognizing the life and the death of Daniel J. Evans, former Senator for the State of Washington.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 3303. Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 872, recognizing the life and death of Daniel J. Evans, former Senator for the State of Washington; as follows:

In the eighth whereas clause of the preamble, strike "3 terms" and insert "3 consecutive terms".

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I have six 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 COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

#### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

#### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

#### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

#### SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

The Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet in open and closed session during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 3:15 p.m.

#### THINK DIFFERENTLY ABOUT EMERGENCIES ACT

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 441, H.R. 6249.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 6249) to provide for a review and report on the assistance and resources that the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency provides to individuals with disabilities and the families of such individuals that are impacted by major disasters, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Mr. SCHUMER. I further ask that the bill be considered read a third time and passed, and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

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

The bill (H.R. 6249) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### BOLSTERING ECOSYSTEMS AGAINST COASTAL HARM ACT

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 546, H.R. 5490.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5490) to amend the Coastal Barrier Resources Act to expand the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time.

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

The bill was ordered to a third reading and was read the third time.

Mr. SCHUMER. I know of no further debate on the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there is no further debate on the bill, the bill having been read the third time, the question is, Shall the bill pass?

The bill (H.R. 5490) was passed.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

#### WORKING DOG COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 807 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 807) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the invaluable service that working dogs provide to society.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed, and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (H.R. 807) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### NO STOLEN TRADEMARKS HONORED IN AMERICA ACT OF 2023

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1505 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1505) to modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (H.R. 1505) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF SEPTEMBER 2024 AS "SICKLE CELL DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH"

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor,