

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. RES. 382

Recognizing Kenneth M. Mead's service as the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 17, 2006

Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BURNS, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. LOTT, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. NELSON of Florida) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Recognizing Kenneth M. Mead's service as the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation.

Whereas Kenneth M. Mead has announced his retirement as the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation after nearly 9 years of service in that position;

Whereas Kenneth M. Mead and his staff conducted investigations independently, impartially, and with rigorous professionalism into myriad issues affecting transportation and transportation policy;

Whereas Kenneth M. Mead and his staff provided independent, thorough, and relevant commentary and recommendations on a wide-range of Federal transpor-

tation policies and programs, including aviation operations and safety, highway, auto and truck operations and safety, transportation security, rail operations and safety, and pipeline and hazardous materials transportation safety;

Whereas, during Kenneth M. Mead's tenure as Inspector General, the events of September 11, 2001, had a dramatic impact on the Federal government's relationship with the aviation industry and posed significant challenges for ensuring the safety and security of public transportation in general and the United States aviation industry in particular; and

Whereas Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta recognized Kenneth M. Mead's contributions by describing him as "a tireless advocate for setting the highest possible standards of integrity, accountability, and performance" in the Department's efforts to make the Nation's transportation system as safe and efficient as possible: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the United States Senate commends  
 2 Kenneth M. Mead for his more than 8 years of faithful  
 3 and exemplary service to the Nation as the Inspector Gen-  
 4 eral of the Department of Transportation, and expresses  
 5 its deep appreciation and gratitude for his long and out-  
 6 standing service.

7       SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit  
 8 a copy of this resolution to Kenneth M. Mead.

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