110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 390

Designating March 11, 2008, as National Funeral Director and Mortician Recognition Day.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 6, 2007

Mr. Kohl (for himself, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Chambliss) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm March~11,~2008} \\ {\rm Committee~discharged;~considered~and~agreed~to} \end{array}$

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas the death of a family member, friend, or loved one is a devastating emotional event;
- Whereas the memorialization and celebration of the decedent's life is the fabric of today's funeral service;
- Whereas the family of the decedent has traditionally looked to funeral directors and morticians for consolation, strength, and guidance in the planning and implementation of a meaningful funeral ceremony;
- Whereas funeral directors and morticians have dedicated their professional lives to serving the families of their

communities in their times of need for generations with caring, compassion, and integrity;

Whereas these special men and women see their chosen profession as a higher calling, a sacred trust, in serving every family regardless of social standing, financial means, or time of day or day of the year, whenever a death occurs; and

Whereas on this special day, March 11, 2008, it would be appropriate to pay tribute to these funeral directors and morticians who, day in and day out, assist our Nation's families in their times of sadness and grief and help families mourn a death and celebrate a life: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate—

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- (1) takes this opportunity to pay the Nation's collective debt of gratitude for all the hours and all the times they have put someone ahead of themselves by serving the living while caring for the dead;
 - (2) urges every American of every walk of life to embrace each of these special individuals with heartfelt thanks for their dedication to their profession; and
- 10 (3) designates March 11, 2008, as "National Funeral Director and Mortician Recognition Day".