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S. RES. 349

Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 10, 2009

Mr. Burr (for himself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Isakson, and Mr. Johanns) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas veterans of service in the United States Armed Forces have served the Nation with honor and at great personal sacrifice;
- Whereas the people of the United States owe the security of the Nation to those who have defended it;
- Whereas on Veterans Day each year, the Nation honors those who have defended democracy by serving in the Armed Forces;
- Whereas veterans continue to provide a valuable service in their communities across the Nation and are important members of society;

Whereas we must honor and express our sincere gratitude to all our veterans for their unwavering commitment to country, justice, and democracy;

Whereas the observance of Veterans Day is an expression of faith in democracy, faith in United States values, and faith that those who fight for freedom will defeat those whose cause is unjust;

Whereas major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 by the signing of the Armistice near Compiègne, France; and

Whereas section 6103(a) of title 5, United States Code, provides that "Veteran's Day, November 11" is a legal public holiday: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate encourages—

2 (1) the people of the United States to dem-3 onstrate their support for veterans on Veterans Day 4 each year by treating that day as a special day of 5 reflection; and

> (2) schools and teachers to educate students on the great contributions veterans have made to the United States and its history, both while serving as members of the United States Armed Forces and after completing their service.

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