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S. RES. 353

Supporting the goals and ideals of "American Education Week".

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Mrs. Hagan (for herself, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Brown, Mr. Levin, Mr. Begich, Mr. Tester, Mr. Feingold, Mr. Burris, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Dodd, and Ms. Stabenow) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

November 18, 2009 Committee discharged; considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of "American Education Week".

- Whereas the National Education Association has designated November 15 through November 21, 2009, as the 88th annual observance of "American Education Week";
- Whereas public schools are the backbone of democracy in the United States, providing young people with the tools needed to maintain the precious values of freedom, civility, and equality in our Nation;
- Whereas by equipping young people in the United States with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities,

public schools give young people hope for, and access to, a productive future;

Whereas people working in the field of public education, including teachers, higher education faculty and staff, custodians, substitute educators, bus drivers, clerical workers, food service professionals, workers in skilled trades, health and student service workers, security guards, technical employees, and librarians, work tire-lessly to serve children and communities throughout the Nation with care and professionalism; and

Whereas public schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults, children, educators, volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise:

Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate—

- (1) supports the goals and ideals of "American
 Education Week"; and
- 4 (2) encourages the people of the United States 5 to observe "American Education Week" by reflecting 6 on the positive impact of all those who work together 7 to educate children.

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