

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

# S. RES. 628

Recognizing the 10th Anniversary of the National Book Festival.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

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

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## RESOLUTION

Recognizing the 10th Anniversary of the National Book Festival.

Whereas the National Book Festival is a great national treasure that fosters the joy of reading;

Whereas the first National Book Festival held on September 8, 2001, was organized and sponsored by the Library of Congress and hosted by First Lady Laura Bush;

Whereas the first National Book Festival, held on the grounds of the Library of Congress and the United States Capitol, was such a success that it has become an annual event;

Whereas the National Book Festival has grown in popularity, in recent years bringing over 130,000 book lovers to the National Mall;

Whereas, each year, the National Book Festival has featured more than 70 award-winning and nationally known authors, illustrators, poets, and storytellers;

Whereas the National Book Festival invites readers from around the United States to celebrate books, reading, and creativity;

Whereas the National Book Festival convenes the “Pavilion of the States” which includes representatives from all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the territories and possessions of the United States who discuss and distribute materials about their respective reading and literacy promotion programs;

Whereas this year the Festival has reached a milestone for both the Library of Congress and the Nation; and

Whereas the 10th National Book Festival will be held on September 25, 2010, on the National Mall, and supported by Honorary Co-Chairs President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) recognizes and emphasizes the important  
3       historic and ongoing role of the National Book Festival;  
4       and

5               (2) encourages the celebration of “A Decade of  
6       Words and Wonder” on Saturday, September, 25,  
7       2010.

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